Sunday School Lesson

LESSON VIII.
CHRISTIAN WORKERS
(1 Corinthians 3: 10—15; Galatians 6:6—10.)

GOLDEN TEXT— Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not: Galatians 6: 9.

The Lesson in its Setting

Time.—The appointment of the first deacons in the early church was in 33 A.D. The First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians and the epistle to the Galatians were written about 56 A.D.; and the first epistle of Paul to Timothy 63—66 A.D.

Place.— The appointment of the first deacons took place in Jerusalem. The City of Corinth was a great metropolis in northern Greece. Galatia was a province in Asia Minor. Timothy was residing in Ephesus when Paul wrote his first epistle to him.

It is not true that nothing is ever accomplished without work. It is true that nothing of any value is ever accomplished without work. This is just as true in the great enterprises of the Christian church, in the preaching of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, in the winning of souls to the Saviour, in the building up of believers. As Marshal Foch once cried out: "Gifts! Gifts! There is no such thing. There is nothing but hard work. There is nothing but that, even for the artist. Do not count upon gifts! Work!"

Our Work As Christians

The first paragraph of six verses can hardly be separated from the verse that immediately precedes it—"For we are God's fellow-workers: ye are God's husbandry, God's building." Cannot God do it all Himself? No. God needs man to carry out His purposes.

"According to the grace of God which was given unto me as a wise masterbuilder" — The word here translated "masterbuilder" is the Greek word architekton, from which comes our word architect. "I laid a foundation." Paul means that he had founded the church at Corinth, as well as many other churches. "And another buildeth thereon." Other men were (necessarily) carrying on the work of the Christian Church at Corinth, teachers, preachers, evangelists, and pastors. Paul could be at only one place at one time. "But let each man take heed how he buildeth thereon. For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."—If anyone proceeds to lay another foundation over Christ, it is not a Christian church he is meaning to build. He who does not proceed upon the facts of Christ's life and death, he whose instruction does not pre-suppose Christ as his foundation may be useful for some purpose of life, but not as a builder of the Christian temple.

A Sure Foundation

"But if any man buildeth on the foundation gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, stubble; Each man's work shall be made manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself shall prove each man's work of what sort it is"—Exactly what in the mind of Paul corresponded to these various materials is not quite certain. Some think he referred to true or false doctrines. Others suppose that Paul had reference here to persons, some good and some worthless, who are brought into the visible church of Christ. Still others believe that the apostle referred to the moral and spiritual fruits of the work of Christian teachers in the lives and characters of their disciples and followers. The fire which Paul refers is simply a symbol of judgment, like fire which tests the true value of gold or silver. "The day," of course, the day of Christ's return for his own, when his own will be given rewards for the things which they have done upon earth.

"If any man's work shall abide which he built thereon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved; yet so as through fire." The architect has to give his certificate before the builder gets his check, and the man who has built "gold, silver, precious stones," will have over and above his initial salvation in himself the blessed consequences, and unfold the large results of his faithful service; while the other man, inasmuch as he has not such work, cannot have the consequences of it, and gets no wages, or at least his pay is subject to heavy deductions for the spoiled bits in the cloth and for the gaps in the wall. The picture of this man is of one surrounded by a conflagration, and making a rush through the flames to get to a place of safety. We begin there where we left off here.

The Sowing of Seed

"But let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things" — The word here translated "communicate" means, to have in common, to share, and Paul means that Christians, with a rich understanding of the word of God, should share their spiritual treasures one with another, either by the writing of letters, by edifying conversation, by the writing of books, or by public speaking, or otherwise.

"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth unto his own flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth unto the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap eternal life." —Never in the world of nature, but so often in moral matters, men are deceived into believing that, no matter what kind of seed is sown, the consequences will not be so bad after all; or that they can sow one kind of seed and reap another. Men are deceived into believing "they can sow folly and reap wisdom; they can sow wild oats, and gather honest wheat. If there is a sowing, there must be a reaping, and if there is a reaping, it will absolutely depend upon that which is sown. The corruption which is reaped begins here and continues in the life to come. The bloated face, the sensual leer, the sullen brow tells us what is going on within. To sow to the Spirit is simply to live a spiritual life, in the power of the Spirit of God, led by his Spirit, energized by his Spirit, seeking the will of God himself.

"And let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."—Martin Luther has well said that it is an easy matter for one to do good once or twice, but to continue and not be discouraged through the ingratitude and perverseness of those to whom he has done good, that is very hard. A young man goes to his first place with boundless hopes of other and greater spheres opening to him in due time. He comes to discover, like the vast majority of us, that the ten talents have not been given him. Slowly and painfully the veil of illusion is drawn from his life, and he recognizes that he is to be but a hewer of wood and a drawer of water. The front places, the grander tasks are not meant for him. It is indeed a critical hour when the cold unwelcome truth discloses itself.

"So then, as we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men, and especially toward them that are of the household of the faith."—In this verse the teaching of the entire preceding passage seems to be summed up. The church of Christ on earth is frequently designated as the house or family of God. Love always desires the good of others. Notice especially the phrase, "as we have opportunity." Opportunities do not tarry for long. An opportunity lost may never be recovered again.

Anglers At Festival Compete With High Seas

At Hastings, in Sussex, Eng., pounding seas and heavy rain featured the opening of the annual Hastings angling festival. Amongst the competitors are se veral from France and Germany. Anglers are seen competing with high seas as well as the fish during th e festival.

Movie Star Dust Radio

By VIRGINIA DALE

Practically all of the motion-picture companies have decided that comics in sets of three bring sure success. R.K.O. has the Marx brothers now, Twentieth Century-Fox have the Ritz brothers with their hilarious antics, and Paramount has signed up the Yacht Club boys to appear in three more pictures for them.

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Hollywood producers wish that plump girls were fashionable. Insistence on streamlined figures causes them no end of worry. Many of the stars noted, for their beauty and chic, have to live on strict diets in order to stay slim, and when they are working on a strenuous schedule they get so run down that they have no resistance to colds. Recently on the ailing list were Carole Lombard, Alice Faye, Joan Crawford, Virginia Bruce, Simone Simon, and Zorina, the lovely Russian dancer who is soon to make her debut in Goldwyn pictures.

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Cary Grant is all set to be the busiest actor in Hollywood for the next year. Now working with Katherine Hepburn in "Bringing Up Baby," he is all set to rush from that to "Love on Parole," with Miriam Hopkins, after which he will support Ruby Keeler in her first R.K.O. picture.

Columbia Pictures hold a contract with him also, and will have several stories ready for him just as soon as he finishes his stint on the R.K.O. lot. Cary expects to find time to play one of the leads in Samuel Goldwyn's production of the ever-popular romance, "Graustark." If you heard him on the air recently with Irene Dunne, giving excerpts from "The Awful Truth," the theatres are now showing, you don't need to be told that it is a thoroughly delightful picture.

Cary Grant

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Bing Crosby, who always insists that he doesn't know anything about music, or about anything, in fact, but race horses, received an honorary degree from Gonzaga College in Spokane, Wash. He was a student there before he joined the Paul Whiteman's rhythm boys and got launched on a radio career. Incidentally, Bing gets so much fun out of his radio appearances that he would like to be on the air more than once a week.

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Radio and picture stars have their favorite performers, just like the rest of us. Rudy Vallee insists on having Jack Oakie in the picture he will make for Warner Brothers soon. He says Oakie makes any picture a success. Jack Benny would like to have Abe Lyman on his radio program permanently—thinks he adds a lot of laughs.

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Beverly Davis, the four-year-old daughter of Joan Davis, that madcap dancer who risks breaking her neck in the Ritz Brothers' pictures, gives imitations of her mama when she goes to parties. At a kiddies' party she was not going over so well, because instead of laughing at her falls, the youngsters howled in fright, but everything turned out all right anyway. Along came a Twentieth Century-Fox official to call for his youngsters, and he hired little Beverly to play a part.

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Closest friends of Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., thought that his great success as an actor in "The Prisoner of Zenda," had cured him of all ambitions to be a producer in England. Doug. says they are wrong. As soon as he finishes playing opposite Ginger Rogers in "Having a Wonderful Time", he will be off to London again to be the big boss of a production company. In the future he will spend six months of each year in Hollywood, working as an actor, the other six in London producing pictures.

Ginger Rogers

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ODDS and ENDS:—One of the most important instruments in B. A. Rolfe's orchestra is an ordinary tin can filled with coins. Shaken by the drummer, this gives out those minor tinkling notes like Oriental bells that build up the gruesome atmosphere of Ripley's weirdest Believe It or Nots . . . . Eddie Cantor's recent high spirits, even higher than usual, are due to the general verdict that his new picture "Ali Baba Goes to Town" is by far the best he has ever made

New Type "Iron Lung" Is Big Improvement

A Miami, Fla., reporter gives a demonstration of the new iron lung designed in Sweden for Fred Snite, Jr., the victim of infantile paralysis. Fitting only over the chest, the lung, when finally improved, will be more comfortable than the one in which young Snite now rests.

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"30,000-Pound" Cow Wins Milk Record

Oxford County's first "30,000-pound" cow has been reported by the record of production branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. While several cows bred in Oxford have entered the charmed circle, Hetty Korndyke Konigen, owned by Fred Stock of Tavistock is the first to complete such a record within the county.

At 10 years of age she has given 31,048 pounds of milk and 1,107 pounds of butterfat on three times a day milking. The test was 3.56.

Champion Butterfat Producer

Her milk record has only once been exceeded in Canada under similar conditions and that was by another Holstein cow, Bessie Korndyke Gerben; owned by the Ontario Reformatory, Guelph, and bred in Oxford County by Arthur E. McKay, Embro.

In butterfat, Hetty Korndyke Konigen replaces the former Canadian champion, Countess Abbegirk Hiemke, which was owned by J. Walter Jones, Charlottetown, P.E.I., but bred by Samuel Redmond of Burgessville.

MOSCOW.—Joseph Stalin, undisputed political leader of the Soviet Union, who had been nominated in 580 different districts for a seat in the new Supreme Soviet, has announced he will accept the nomination of the so-called Stalin district of Moscow.

WAKE UP LIKE A CAVE MAN

Feel Full of Life—No More Tired, Dull, Heavy Mornings

Keep your liver healthy and you'll feel great every morning. When you wake up feeling "rotten" your liver is out of order. Your liver clears the blood of poisons, separates the nourishing part of your food from the waste. Supplies energy to muscles, tissues and glands—gives out bile, the body's laxative, helps stomach, kidneys and intestines to work properly. A mere bowel movement isn't enough. "Fruit-a-tives" made from fruits and herbs, will strengthen and build up your liver like nothing else will. You'll be amazed how well you are every morning. Try Fruit-a-tives. All druggists.

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Is This Your Birthdav?

By A. R. WEIR

What the STARS fortell for those born on November 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25

GENERAL—

If the date of your birth is Nov. 19, 20 or 21 you were born under Scorpio. Those born on November 22, 23, 24 and 25 were born in the ninth sign of the Zodiac which is Sagittarius. While Scorpio people are abrupt, brusque, reserved and secretive. Sagittarius people are straightforward, have a remarkably expressive nature, love harmony, truth and justice. Scorpio people must guard their jealousies while Sagittarius folk are happy-go-lucky and optimistic.

HOW TO FIND YOUR OWN BIRTH DATE.

NOVEMBER 19—You should be a doctor, a nurse, a chemist or in some other way use your great magnetic power which makes you a splendid healer. The year is good for domestic matters and there may be a change of residence. During November you should benefit by speculation and a voyage by water is indicated.

NOVEMBER 20—You are somewhat suspicious but have plenty of grit and backbone which helps you to rise to great heights. There should be a sudden change in your affairs for the better although you will first have some obstacles to overcome.

NOVEMBER 21—All indications are favorable for love affairs, social affairs, courtship and marriage. Your business affairs need special care during November but your year will be successful and prosperous. You have a love of sport and dramatic abilities are shown.

NOVEMBER 22—You are straightforward and sincere, love liberty and are a great believer in the freedom of speech. There may be a dispute over a broken contract but you will overcome your difficulties and gain in some unusual way.

NOVEMBER 23—You are impressionable and will succeed in life through personal application and hard work. The coming year may be mixed for both social and business affairs but much happiness is shown in love.

NOVEMBER 24—You possess high ideals and are of a philosophic and religious turn of mind. A great change is shown for the better in your financial and business affairs. This will come very unexpectedly.

NOVEMBER 25—A lack of determination and concentration is usually at the root of your failures. Your lucky number is four. You will sign an important contract or agreement. This will benefit you a good deal.

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