Sunday School Lesson

LESSON X
THE SIN OF LYING

Exodus 20: 16; 2 Kings 5: 20-27; Proverbs 6: 16-19; Matthew 15: 19, 20; John 8: 42-47; Ephesians 4: 25; Revelation 22: 14, 15.

Printed Text

Exodus 20: 16; Matthew 15: 19, 20; John 8: 42-47; Ephesians 4: 25.

Golden Text

"Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts." Psalm 51: 6.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time. — The Ten Commandments were delivered 1498 B.C.; the incident in the life of Gehazi took place 894 B.C.; the book of Proverbs was written somewhere about 995 B.C.; the passage from the Gospel of Matthew was uttered in April, A.D. 29; the conversation recorded in the ieghth chapter of John occurred in October of the same year; the epistle to the Ephesians was written A.D. 64; the book of Revelation, about A.D. 90.

Place. — The Ten Commandments were given on Mount Sinai. We do not know where Elisha was staying at this time, nor where Gehazi overtook Naaman, nor do we know where the book of Proverbs was written. The words taken from Matthew were spoken at Capernaum; the conversation in the book of John took place in Jerusalem; the epistle to the Ephesians was written from Rome to the great Greek city on the eastern shore of the Aegean Sea; the visions recorded in the book of Revelation were given to John while he was on the island of Patmos, located in the southern part of the Aegean Sea, between Greece and the Province of Asia.

16. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. See also Deut. 5: 20, and, for the panalty of bearing false witness, Deut. 19: 16-21. The worst or most serious form of a lie is perjury—false witness-bearing, that is, to a neighbor's hurt in civil or criminal prosecutions. We transgress this commandment whenever we conceive a strong suspicion and repeat it as a thing we know.

There is perhaps no commandment in the Decalogue—certainly none in the second table — so frequently broken by us as that with which we are dealing.

The pages of the Old Testament are dark with the records of men and women who lied about other men and women. Our Lord himself was the greatest sufferer of all in the matter of false testimony.

Matt. 15: 19, 20. 19. For out of the heart come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornifications, thefts, false witness, railings: 20. these are the things which defile the man; but to eat with unwashed hands defileth not the man. The sins here enumerated are those which violate the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth commandments. The particular point which our Lord is here emphasizing is that the Pharisees were sinning in their severe insistence that food eaten with unwashed hands defiles a man, whereas the truth is that real defilement is not derived from the things we eat, or the manner in which we eat them, but in the things which proceed from our heart, many of which find their expression with the tongue and the lips.

Father Of All Lies

John 8: 42-47. 42. Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I came forth and am come from God; for neither have I come of myself, but he sent me. 43. Why do ye not understand my speech? Even because ye cannot hear my word. Jesus now says that the reason why they refused to accept what he was saying was because they could not hear his word, i.e., they were in such a condition of spiritual death that the words Jesus was uttering fell, as it were, on deaf ears.

44. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. This is true of all men until grace regenerates them. He was a murderer from the beginning. And standeth not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father thereof. This distinguishes Satan from all other evil persons. The lie has become his nature; it is his own; he has made it so by identifying his will with it.

45. But because I say the truth, ye believe me not. 46. Which of you convicteth me of sin? If I say truth, why do ye not believe me? 47: He that is of God heareth the words of God: for this cause ye hear them not, because ye are not of God. Refusing to believe Christ is not a matter of superior intellect, but arises from absolute godlessness. To have God and not to believe Christ is an impossible situation.

25. Wherefore. This word refers back to the preceding paragraph (vs. 17-24). Putting away falsehood. Speak ye truth each one with his neighbor. A neighbor, the Scripture teaches us, is a fellow man of any creed or nation; and to all such we are bound to speak the truth. We are to watch ourselves scrupulously that we do not lie to others in business, in home life, in social life, at the lodge, in writing letters, in speaking from the platform, in reporting conversations, in making promises in telling others about our own achievements. For we are members one of another. Christians are bound by reciprocal ties and obligations, and falsehood wars against such a union.

Are You Listening?

By FREDDIE TEE

HERE IS JIMMY FIDLER

Jimmy Fidler, the air reporter with the famous catch-phrase "And I DO mean YOU," began a series of 'Hollywood Gossip" programs over the Columbia network recently (WABC-CBS, 7:15 to 7:30 p.m., EST. Rebroadcast at 10:30 p.m., EST). Fidler, who has been a part of the movie capital in various capacities since he left the city of Memphis, Tennessee, home at the age of nineteen, will be heard describing the behind-the-scenes activities at the film studios, reporting human interest items about the stars at home and in analytical criticisms of motion pictures he has previewed.

Jimmy Fidler

IMPROMPTU

Studio visitors to the Kate Smith Hour sometimes get more than the show tuned in by arm chair listeners. After each broadcast, Abbott and Costello, featured comedy duo on the show, occasionally stage an impromptu gag session with fellow cast members.

"MAYOR" ON NANCY JAMES PROGRAM

Joseph Curtin, pictured here, fills important roles in two of CBS' major dramatic shows. He is "Richard Wharton," reform mayor of Metropolis City, in the series, "Her Honor, Nancy James" which is heard over the WABC - Columbia network Mondays through Fridays, 12:15 to 12:30 p.m., EST., and he also plays opposite Helen Menken in "Second Hsband," broadcast over the WABC - Columbia network on Tuesday from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m., EST. Recently, to get more realism into his portrayal of Metropolis' "mayor", Curtin interviewed Fiorello H. LaGuardia, mayor of New York City. "Little Flower" gave the "Nancy James" star some valuable tips on how the big city should be run.

Joseph Curtin

LONDON CALLING

Owners of new 1939 DeForest Crosley "Spread-Band" radio models are getting a new thrill out of tuning their radio to bring in distant stations on the six spread bands (especially the four individual channels, devoted to the short-wave metre bands). Any owner of a new DeForest Crosley "Music Master" model can tune in London, England, and listen to the news being broadcast direct, at 7:40 p.m., EST., just as though it was the broadcast of a Canadian station.

National « Fitness »

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THE CARE OF THE EYES

(By one whose sight was lost through the carelessness of others)

The principle rule in the care of the eyes is "consciousness of their value". If you are aware at all times that your eyes are the most delicate organs in your body and must be protected because they cannot be replaced, you have then taken the major step in eye protection. You will have your eyes examined at least once a year and if glasses are prescribed, they should always be checked with the original prescription and changed whenever stipulated by your doctor. If one is experiencing severe headaches possibly the eyes are the cause of the discomfort. When reading always be sure that the light rays—either natural or artificial—are not reflected directly into your face. If as a pupil in school you are having difficulty in seeing the blackboard, do not hesitate to mention this to your teacher who will be only too pleased to change your seat and thus avoid eye strain. Too often people develop the bad habit of rubbing their eyes with their dirty fingers, public towels and soiled handkerchiefs. Lack of sanitary care is apt to cause infection which will rob you of part or all of your vision.

Accidental Injury

Another important step in the preservation of one's sight is the protection of yourself from those with whom you come in contact. The files of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind are filled with cases of eye injuries leading to either partial or total impairment of vision through accidents caused by others. Boys and girls in schools and men and women in offices have lost their sight because of the harmless projecting of a paper clip, a piece of orange peel or tinfoil on an elastic band. Many have lost the sight of one of their eyes in ordinary school showers and locker-rooms because of the snapping of towels. In all these instances there was no intent to damage or harm—a mere accident. These accidents have not only injured the eyes but have often warped the lives of the individuals injured.

No one would intentionally lose his sight and yet statistics gathered by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind for the past twenty years show that approximately 50 per cent. of the blind people in Canada need never have been blind had the proper care and protective measures been used. This means that 4,500 Canadians are needlessly living in a world of darkness. Why lose your sight? Exercise extreme caution, protect your sight and your eyes will protect you!

Babies may be "parked" for a penny an hour in nursery shelters in London.

Each Child Owes Debt Of $676.00

Every child in the Province of Ontario born this year receives a legacy of debt of $676.12, Evan Gray, president, declared to the Ontario Associated Board of Trade and Commerce at Toronto last week. He said he "looked back with regret to 1904, when Ontario had no public debt." The debt of present-day children is 'a considerable economic handicap for the new arrival, who still has to pay for everything he is to get."

How Coffee Came Into Daily Use

It Once Had to Be Bootlegged Because It Was Thought Evil And Intoxicating

The world does move, as proved by the historical fact that once it was necessary to bootleg coffee, notably in Mahommedan countries because it was classified as an intoxicant and banned by religious regulation.

Coffee was not even known to be edible or potable before the ninth centry of the Christian era, and it was not until the middle of the sixteenth centry that the ban against it was permanently removed everywhere in the world. Orginially called "cawaah," in its Oriental spelling, coffee came by way of Europe into the Baltic Sea area, thence into Holland and England, and thence to North America. The Western World dominates the coffee trade and ranks high in coffee use.

Cost $20 Per Pound

When we step in to buy our favorite blend, ground to suit our own method of brewing, for just a few cents a pound, it seems hard to realize that when the coffee house of England first had it, coffee cost $20 a pound.

Curious Bear Scares Doctor

Physician on Hunting Trip Wakes to Find Mother Near Him, Cub Poking for Candy

A certain Toronto doctor, who prefers to remain unidentified, will think twice in future before falling asleep on a deer runway. The doctor came to the Haliburton County district of Donald, Ontario, to shoot deer. Now he is recovering from fright caused by an inquisitive mother bear and two cubs with a taste for chocolate bars.

The hunter fell asleep in a clump of bushes while waiting for deer. He awoke to find a huge black bear staring at him curiously. A cub was licking contentedly at a piece of chocolate sticking from his hunting coat pocket. A second cub was trying to get in a few licks, too.

Jumping to his feet with a yell, the doctor ran.

HOW CAN I?

By ANNE ASHLEY

Q.—How can I prevent tearing a dress pattern?

A.—Cut the dress patterns out of old cloth instead of paper. This kind of pattern will not tear, and it will cling to the goods without pinning.

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Q.—How can I remove spots of paint readily from the knobs, locks and hinges of a door or window when I am painting?

A.—Before painting, coat all the hardware with paraffin or petroleum ointment. The spots of paint can then be very readily removed.

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Q.—How can I avoid having to squeeze the juice of lemons every time a recipe calls for it?

A.—Why not extract the juice of a dozen lemons at a time and keep in a tightly covered glass jar in the refrigerator? It will prove a great convenience.

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Q.—How can I facilitate the work of ironing napkins?

A.—A good method for ironing napkins is to dip every third napkin in warm water, placing it between two dry napkins, then fold and roll. Allow them to stand for about an hour before ironing.

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Q.—How can I remove brown marks from dishes, caused by baking in the oven?

A.—These marks can be removed by rubbing the spots well with damp salt, then washing off, and repeating the treatment if necessary.

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Q.—How can I treat scars that have resulted from pimples?

A.—These scars usually will disappear very soon if they are bathed with a solution of boracic acid, followed by an application of zinc ointment.

Western Drought Decreases Ducks

Dan McCowan, Naturalist, Advocates Closed Season for Them One Year in Every Four

Canada's wild life has suffered so severely because of the drought in the West that it would be advisable to have a closed season of at least one year in four in order to allow ducks to breed up again to fair numbers, according to Dan McGowan, naturalist of Banff, Alta.

"As far as ducks are concerned," he said, "I can only suggest protection from the guns of hunters for them as the best means of increasing their numbers. I would say that leap-years — they are easily remembered — should have no duck hunting season."

Sloughs Have Dried Up

Ducks, he explained, have suffered gravely because sloughs in which they formerly nested in Canada and also in the United States were in the drought years converted into bowls of hard dried mud.

"They simply had found no place to nest," he explained. "And in addition, there was a scarcity of their natural food."

Artificial eyelashes, each of which carries a tiny precious stone, are being sold in Paris to be fitted over the natural lashes.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT — By Fred Neher

"Ain't no use, Maw . . . . we've scrubbed an' scrubbed an' now we've come to another suit o' clothes!"

Biblical King

HORIZONTAL

1 King ——, pictured here.
5 His story is found in the Old ——.
13 Public disturbance.
14 Grinding tooth
15 Above.
16 To perish.
17 To deem.
18 Golf device.
19 Edits.
20 Things to be deleted.
24 South America
25 Kind.
28 Neuter pronoun.
30 Groundwork.
34 Driving command.
35 Kind of pottery.
36 Convent worker.
37 Within.
38 To repulse.
39 You and I.
40 Gowns.
46 Irony.
50 Every.
51 Advantage.
53 Wine vessel.
54 Bones.
55 Ago.
56 Low sand hill.
58 He was a —— as a boy.
59 He killed the giant Goliath with his —— (pl.).

Answer to Previous Puzzle.

M	A	R	I	E		F	E	R	D	I	N	A	N	D
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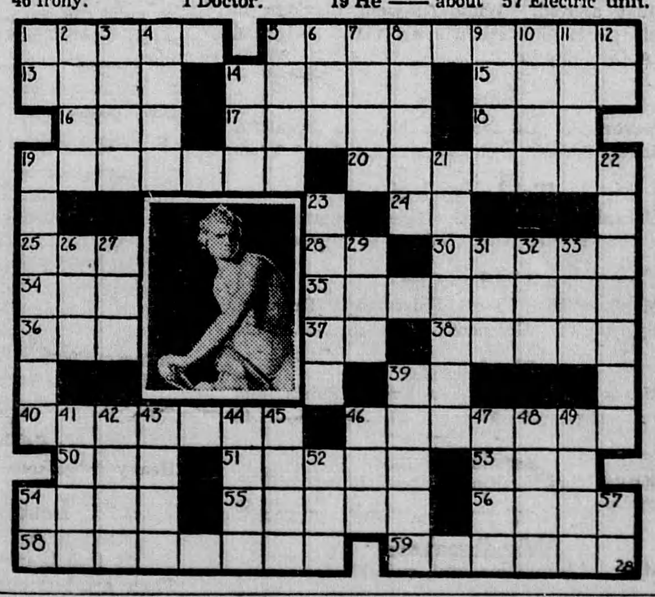
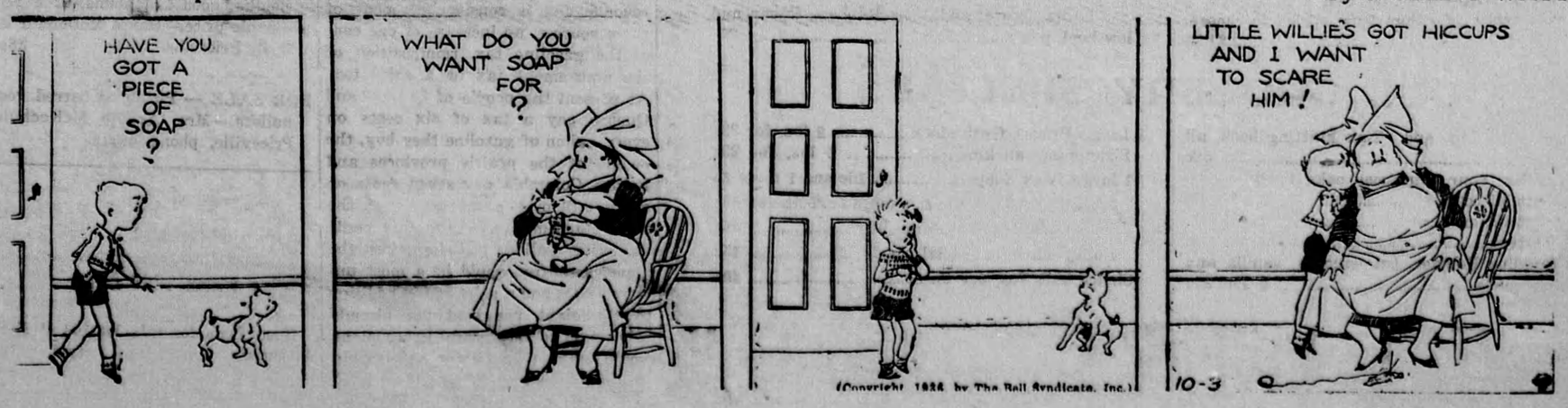
QUEEN MARIE

VERTICAL

1 Doctor.
2 Naval assistant.
3 Vacant.
4 Virginia willow.
5 Peaks.
6 Prophet.
7 Grit.
8 Maples.
9 A speck.
10 Opposed to odd.
11 To require.
12 Transposed.
14 Witticism.
19 He —— about 40 years.
21 Worker.
22 His favorite son.
23 Boundary.
26 Rumanian coin.
27 Cognizance.
29 Light brown.
31 Beer.
32 To drink slowly.
33 Frozen water.
39 Walks through water.
41 Headstrong.
42 Otherwise.
43 To hit with the hand.
44 Actual being.
45 Bustle.
46 Membranous bag.
47 Mohammedan judge.
48 Last word of a prayer.
49 Warbled.
52 Finish.
54 Ridge of a drift.
57 Electric unit.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