SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XIII
JONAH: THE OUTREACH OF GOD'S LOVE — Jonah 3, 4
Printed Text, Jonah 3:1-10; 4:10, 11
Golden Text — "Salvation is of Jehovah." Jonah 2:9.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time — Jonah lived during the reign of Jeroboam II, who reigned from 700 to 750 B.C.

Place — The events of the last two chapters of this book occurred at and just outside of the city of Ninevah, located on the east bank of the upper Tigris River.

In this lesson we make a study of great revivals — considering the character of the messenger, the fundamental elements of the message, the power with which the message is conveyed, the evidences that a people are under the conviction of sin, a true turning to God, and the ultimate abiding consequences of a revival after the particular period of preaching is over. The question might well be asked whether the revival in Jonah's day had the same fundamental elements that revival must have in our day.

2 Kings 14:25 definitely identifies the prophet Jonah as an definitely identifies Jonah as an historical personage who lived shortly before the time of the prophet Amos. Jonah was a native of Gathepher in Galilee, situated just four miles north of Nazareth. And when Jonah was first called to go to the great city of Nineveh and prophesy, the mission was so utterly distasteful to him that he fled from the presence of the Lord, took ship at Jeppa, intending to sail to Tarshish, which is probably to be identified with Tartessus in southeastern Spain. The rest of the story is familiar to everyone.

HIS SECOND COMMISSION

Jonah 3:1. And the word of Jehovah came unto Jonah the second time, saying. 2. Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee, Nineveh was the last eastern capital of the Assyrian empire. Jonah's mission to Nineveh took place after his wonderful deliverance.

3. So Jonah arose, and went unto Ninevah, according to the word of Jehovah. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city, of three days' journey. 4. And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown. Jonah's sermon was exceedingly brief, consisting of a clear, definite, easily understood announcement of the imminent destruction of the city. The sentence upon Nineveh was conditional; if the people repented, their city then could be saved.

THE GREAT REVIVAL

5. And the people of Nineveh believed God; and they proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. 6 And the tidings reached the king of Ninevah, and he arose the king of Nineveh, and he arose from him, and covered him with sackcloth and sat in ashes. 7. And he made proclamation and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd or flock, taste anything; let them not feed, nor drink water; 8. but let them be covered with sackcloth, both man and beast, and let them cry mightily unto God; yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in his hands. 9. Who knoweth whether God will not turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

JONAH, THE "SIGN"

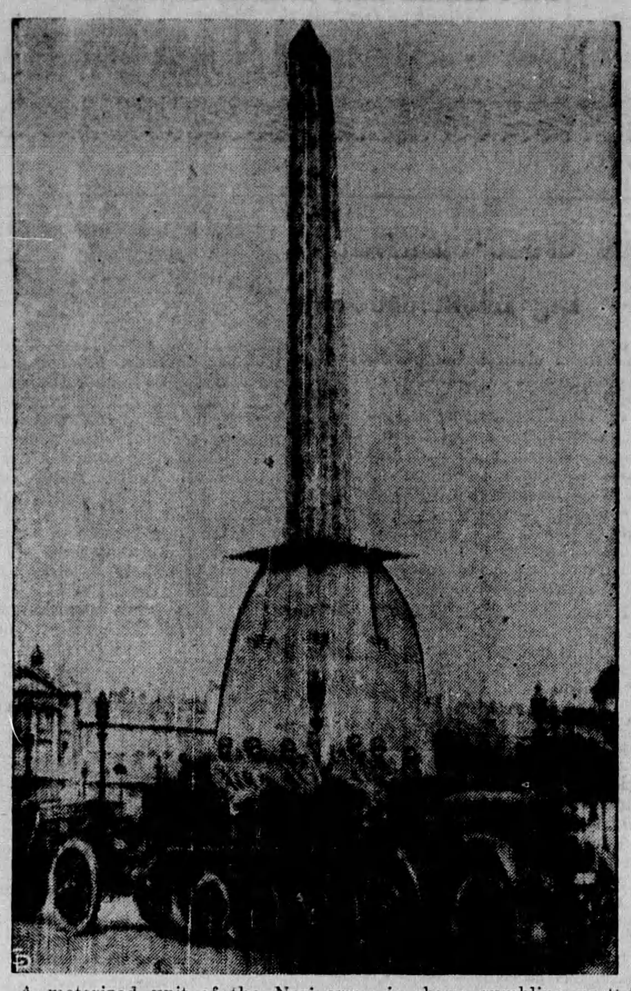
The effect of the preaching of Jonah was simply phenomenal. One prophet of the true God changed a city of probably 600,000 people, for generations worshippers of the false gods, to one crying for mercy to Jehovah. Jonah was not only a prophet delivering by word of mouth the message of destruction which God had given him, but he was a sign unto the Ninevites (Luke 11:29-32). Perhaps the amazing story of Jonah's deliverance from death made the people of Nineveh aware of God's wondrous way of showing his grace to the guilty who turn to him and trust him.

10. And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil which he said he would do unto them; and he did it not.

SHOULD I NOT PITY?

Jonah 4:10. And Jehovah said, Thou has had regard for the gourd for which thou has not labored, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night; and perished in a night: 11. and should not I have regard for Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than six-score thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle? (All of Chapter 4 should be read carefully). Here we see a revelation of the divine attitude towards a city outside the covenant of the law, a city sinning against the light which Paul shows is ever shining in creation. The attitude of God toward the cities of men is never that of aloofness or of distance — that was the sin of Judah; that was the sin of Jonah. God cares for the suffering, the dying, the dead world. Whatever the conditions of men may be, or whatever their sin, the voice of God is heard saying, "Should not I have pity?"

As Nazi Mechanized Units Entered Paris



A motorized unit of the Nazi army is shown rumbling past the Egyptian Obelisk in the Place De La Concorde in Paris, as the German military formally took possession of the French capital.—(Radio-Photo)

A wire fence extending from Calgary to Montreal requires some effort to visualize: The pasture lands enclosed under the plans of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act require, that length of fence for the 1,000,000 acres included.

RADIO REPORTER

By DAVE ROBBINS

EUROPEAN ROUND-UP

Both NBC and CBS have their European correspondents on the air regularly for two 15-minute periods daily.

Recognized as the most ingenious, best-organized radio news-gathering agency in Europe, the CBS bureau, supervised by Paul White in New York, for the past month or so has been employing eight full-time correspondents, and four stringmen, kept on tap for special assignments. From London, the bureau's European chief, Edward Murrow, wields an efficient baton over this war-casting symphony. Columbia's William L. Shirer's talks from Berlin have established him as the ablest newscaster of them all.

As opposite numbers for these CBS flashes, NBC has as its permanent staff a talented trio: Max Jordan, Fred Bate, and Paul Archinard. MBS' w - news-casting from abroad is done by John Steele in London, Waverley Root in France.

"THEY SHALL NOT PASS"

British history is a proud record of victory won in the face of overwhelming odds, victory achieved by the stubborn slow strength of a people not easily or quickly roused.

The past is rich in episodes that tell the same inspiring story. And from the days when King Alfred earned his title "The Great" by turning long years of defeat into final victory, over the invading Danes — from the days when the sea-dogs of Drake smashed the towering threat of Spain's Armada — from Trafalgar, where Nelson broke Napoleon's naval might in the face of great odds — from earliest history to the present day, each challenge to British freedom has proved an inspiration to B - tish courage.

Such episodes as these form the theme of the new series of dramatic features, "They Shall Not Pass"! which will be presented over the CBC's National Network each Wednesday evening, 10:00 to 10:30 p.m. EDST. They will remind Canadians that they share in a tradition of unconquerable courage, that has never counted odds or cost when the real test has come.

NOTES AND NEWS

For your Sunday afternoon listening you will find few programs better than "Melody Time", a feature from 1120 on the dial at 5:15.

Ricco Marcelli, who formerly conducted the orchestra of an early Fibber McGee show known as "The House by the Side of the Road", has succeeded the late Joseph Pasternack as conductor of that excellent program — "The Contented Hour" — heard from NBC-CBC on Monday evenings at 10:00.

About sixty years ago, concert-goers were all agog about the work of a young Russian composer Peter Tschaikowsky. Conservatives were shocked by his original style, but the sincerity and beauty of his music compelled attention that grew to world-wide admiration. This year, 1940, is the centenary of Tschaikowsky's birth — and in recognition, the composers' series — offered by the CBC network at 10:30 each Tuesday evening — will next week feature the works of this musical genius in recital.

One of the best bands on the air lanes for our money is Dick Gasparre's Music Makers. They are featured from WABC on Thursday nights at 11:00 — and worth 15 minutes of anyone's time.

And here's some news about the show that will take the place of Fibber McGee and Molly at 9:30 on Tuesday nights on the CBC chain for the Summer. Meredith Willson's Musical Revue is the name of the presentation — and Willson is one of the foremost flautists in the dance world. He was the lad who directed the music of the "Good News" show all Winter.

Meredith promises to have a top-notch program to follow into the shoes of one of the best shows on the air.

Most Imports Are Licensed

New British Order — Canada Hears Live Animals Only Exception

Trade Minister MacKinnon announced at Ottawa he had been informed by the chief Canadian trade commissioner in London that the British Board of Trade had issued an order under which all goods imported into the United Kingdom, except live quadruped animals, will be subject to import licensing.

Many classes of merchandise already were subject to import license under previous orders and the new order extends the control over imports. It does not affect the goods which have been sent to the United Kingdom before June and imported before August 10th.

For administration of the new order an open general license that permits importation from all the countries without the necessity of obtaining license for individual shipments, has been established for certain commodities.

OF INTEREST TO CANADA

They include among others of interest to Canada: cod liver oil; fish, fresh, other than frozen and wet salted; spirits, asbestos, raw and waste; drugs, natural, raw; fur skins, undressed; nickel ore, concentrates, residues and matter; radium ores, concentrates, residues and compounds; talc; wood tar; cadium; carbon black; cobalt; films; cinematograph (standard width), unexposed, and film base; films, cinematograph, exposed, and tool handles of wood.

A further list of goods brought within the scope of open general license as regards imports from British Empire countries includes biscuits; buttons whether finished or not; dry earth colors; raw wool.

Farm Notes . . .

PASTURING TIPS

According to J. C. Steckley, director of the Western Ontario Experimental Farm, Ridgetown, good grazing land is not the only essential in turning livestock out to pasture. Water, salt and shade are just as important, the director advises.

"Water is not only the largest single constituent of all living matter, both plant and animal, but carries the nutrients from one part of the living structure to another by holding them in solution," he explained.

"Herbivorous animals (those that live chiefly on plants) need a considerably larger amount of common salt than is supplied by their usual feeds," Mr. Steckley said.

"Swine and poultry need less salt than other livestock," Mr. Steckley said, "but it is usually advantageous to supply them with some.

Water, Shade and Salt

Commenting on the third essential, "Shade" Mr. Steckley said; "Shade should be provided for all classes of livestock and although on most pasture farms there are sufficient trees available to provide sufficient shade, pasture fields, where there are no shade trees, should be equipped with some cheap structure that would serve the purpose.

"Particularly, this should be done for swine pasture," Mr. Steckley said, "as the direct rays from the sun may injure young pigs permanently."

Sees America As Big Food Source

Canada and United States to Supply Europe — President of O.A.C. Stresses Our Important Food Role

The important role Canada must play in providing food for peoples of war-torn Europe was stressed by Dr. G. I. Christie in a recent address at Guelph, to more than 140 delegates representing business and professional women's clubs all throughout Ontario. "We cannot expect to go on amid a surplus of foodstuffs with everything at low prices as enjoyed in Canada and the United States and have the rest of the world starving to death," said the college president.

AGRICULTURE DISRUPTED ABROAD

Pointing out that agriculture has been disrupted in Holland, Belgium, Denmark and other invaded countries, he said the problem of food would confront every individual in Canada and the United States in the very near future due to the fact that the only food supply for the world is in North America and parts of the South American continent. "People are going to demand food whether they come here for it or we send it to them. It has to be done and we shall have to share the responsibility," said Dr. Christie in referring to increased sacrifices which must be made in this country.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

SUGAR beets, botanically speaking, belong to the same species as the garden beet. Although they contain less than 20 per cent sugar, they furnish nearly one-half of the world's supply of that commodity.

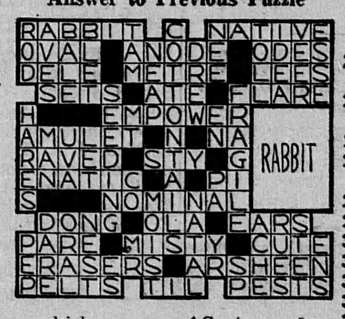
NEXT: Do any insects emerge from the egg in a winged condition?

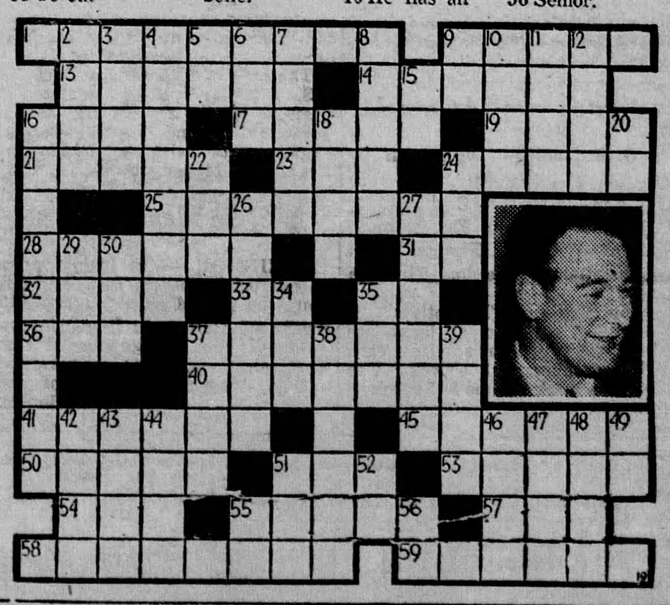
BASEBALL STAR

HORIZONTAL
1 Established baseball star
9 He is a —— league player.
13 Aureole.
14 Aperient.
16 Sea eagles.
17 Clever.
19 Tissue.
21 Low tides.
23 Rubber tree.
24 Auriculate.
25 Pertaining to an episode.
28 To unfold.
31 Primeval fluid.
32 Long inlets.
33 Court.
35 While.
36 Ready.
37 Robbers.
40 Full.
41 Boxes.
45 Astronomical instrument.
50 Weird.
51 Church bench.
53 To cut whiskers.
54 Payment demand.
55 Denudes.
57 Wrath.
58 He is famous for making ——.
59 Annals.

VERTICAL
2 Monster.
3 Forearm bone.
4 Systems of doctrine.
5 Noun ending.
6 Pronoun.
7 Branch.
8 Pierced by horns.
9 Myself.
10 Pier.
11 To scoff.
12 Helmet wreath.
15 Point.
16 He has an amazing —— record.
18 Herb.
20 Advertisement.
22 Mineral spring.
24 Small shield.
26 Restless hankerings.
27 Inserts.
29 Frost bite.
30 Butter lump.
34 To capsize.
35 Hail!
37 Oak.
38 Lay church official.
39 Observes.
42 To do again.
43 Cuckoopoint.
44 Prong.
46 Style.
47 Rootstock
48 Above.
49 Musical note.
51 Skillet.
52 You and I.
55 Bushel.
56 Senior.

Answer to Previous Puzzle





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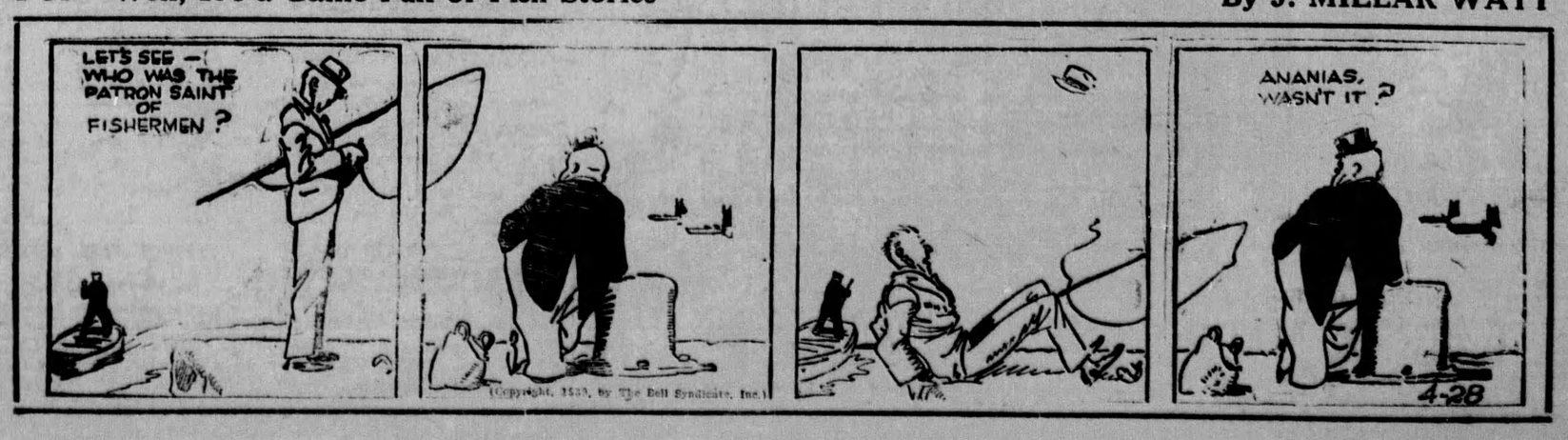
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