SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 20

UNION WITH CHRIST—John 14: 20; 15 : 1-10; 17 : 21-23; Rom. 8 : 9, 10; Cor. 6 : 15-20; 2 Cor. 5: 17; Gal. 2 : 20; Eph. 2 : 20-22; 3 : 17-19; 4 : 15, 16; 5 : 29, 30; Phil. 3 : 9; 4 : 13; Col. 2 : 6, 7.

PRINTED TEXT, John 15 : 1-10.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Abide in me, and in you. John 15 : 4.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—All the words quoted from the Gospel of John were spoken on Thursday evening of Passion Week, April 6, A.D. 30. The Epistle of Paul to the Romans was written about 60 A.D.; Second Corinthians, the year following; Galatians. 58 A.D.; and the Epistle to the Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians, 64 A.D.

Place.—The words spoken by our Lord were uttered in Jerusalem. The Epistles to the Romans and the Galatians were written from the City of Corinth, First Corinthians from the City of Ephesus, Second Corinthians, probably, from the City of Philippi; Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians, were written while Paul was in prison in Rome.

1. "I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman." Of course, the vine referred to here is the grape-vine, so common throughout Palestine. What is the vine? The vine is the root, the main stem, the branches, the tendrils, the leaves, the fruit—the whole of it. The vine is everything. Jesus said "I am the vine; ye are the branches"; that is ye are parts of Myself, united to me in a union so close and definite, that I am incomplete apart from you, as you are incomplete apart from Me.

One Purpose Only

2. "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit, he taketh it away; and every branch that beareth fruit, he cleanseth it, that it may bear more fruit." The grape-vine is for one particular purpose, to bear fruit. If it does not bear fruit, it is of no value. Branches that do not serve this purpose must be removed, for the simple reason that they take strength from other branches which are attempting to produce fruit, strength which in them would be wasted. The old self-life is always sending out its shoots, and we can have no mercy on them; but if we deal with the more superficial sins on the surface of our life, as we get older we realize their deeper appeals, and to the end of life shall be more and more aware of their sinister power. The quick sensitiveness of age must not be ignored. It may be as strong a shoot in the old forest sapling as the manifestations of passion in earlier life. Old men, for instance, may be jealous of young ones, and quick to take offence if there are symptoms of their being put aside.

3. "Already ye are clean because of the word which I have spoken unto you." The Word is God's pruning knife. God had discovered and condemned all there was of self; they were now emptied and cleansed, ready for the incoming of the Holy Spirit.

4. "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; so neither can ye, except ye abide in me." The vine abides in the branch through its life-giving sap, and the branch abides in the vine by its organic growth. There is a mutual in-being. The more we endeavor to abide in Christ the more are we sure that He abides in us.

5. "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit; for apart from me ye can do nothing." If we are abiding in Jesus, let us begin to work. Let us first seek to influence those around us in daily life. When you look at the branch, you see at once the likeness to the Vine. We must live to be like Jesus.

With The Wicked

6. "If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned." The soul grows sere and shrivelle that is cast forth from Christ; it pines away under the scorching influence of the world and alienation from the truth. What about those who are "cast into the fire and burned?" Does it not mean that they will have their place with the incorrigibly wicked at last?

Prayer

7. "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you. 8. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; and so shall ye be my disciples." Why speak of prayer at this point? Prayer is the branches desiring and demanding the life of the vine in order that they may bear fruit according to the nature and purpose of the vine.

Commandments

9. "Even as the Father hath loved me, I also have loved you: abide ye in my love." The comparison is consoling; showing both the fact that He loved them, and the remarkable degree to which he loved them. All relations and conditions of discipleship are reduced to love.

10. "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love." God's commandments have to do with the life He commands us to live, with the conduct of our daily experience. To disobey the commandments of our Lord is to put ourselves in such a position of heart, mind and soul, that the life of Christ does not freely flow unto us.

"BATTLE STATIONS" ABOARD THE U.S.S. REUBEN JAMES

"Battle stations," manning and directing the guns of the U.S.S. Reuben James, as pictured directly above, may have been the last act of duty of the torpedoed destroyer's seven officers. Early reports by the Navy Department left their fate uncertain, as none of the 44 crew members known to have been rescued was an officer.

150,000,000 Back Allies In Africa

General Charles de Gaulle, Free French leader, told the Royal African Society that "150,000,000 Africans are united in a single wish—the desire for victory."

"None of the great continents offers such complete unanimity of opinion from this point of view," he said.

Did You Know That

Transportation costs and storage space for bottled soft drinks can be cut in half by redesigning bottles to fit closely in vertical racks.

A tomato-potato hybrid is a recent novelty exhibited in Russia.

The world's largest resources of clay for china are in Devon and Cornwall, England.

A. A. Projector A Wicked Device

Brief Berlin radio reports about Russia using "fiendish rocket guns" are believed by experts to be based on this amazing development: the British are known to have devised—and are apparently having the Russians try out—unique combinations of twelve nine-barrel "projectors." These will simultaneously send 108 rocket-like projectiles into the sky, reputedly as high as 20,000 feet. When each projectile reaches a predetermined height, it ejects a long cable attached to a parachute. The cables are capable of destroying or severely damaging any plane that hits them. In one salvo the combination weapon is said to blanket a zone 1,200 feet long, 300 feet wide, and 300 feet deep.

—Newsweek.

Six Months of War Costs $498,519,624

Canada's war expenditures during the first half of the present fiscal year were more than double those of the same period in 1940-41, it is shown in the monthly report of the Comptroller of the Treasury.

From April 1 to Sept. 30 this year, the war cost the Dominion government $498,519,624 compared with $238,810,242 in the first six months of the previous fiscal period, the report shows.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

MOTHER NATURE tries hard to cover ugly scars, and in the tropics this is accomplished very quickly. Fallen trees speedily turn to soil, aided by the action of plant roots. A floating log turns into a veritable flower box, and oftentimes it is the beginning of a floating island, where birds may nest among the rank foliage.

NEXT: What is the rat population of the United States?

Large Families The Password

One Place In World Where Large Family Is Not Handicap

You may be rolling in money . . . able to buy dozens of fine blouses . . . but you can't even rent a garage in Mary Ridge, St. Louis, Mo., unless you are raising a large family.

This exclusive suburban settlement is attracting widespread interest in this day of mass housing problems, apartment dwellings, and cramped efficiences as one place where the head of a big family doesn't meet with the rebuff. "Sorry, but you've too many children, the neighbors won't like it."

Here the answer is: "Come right in, you're what we're looking for. People who don't have children don't live here."

Mary Ridge is the successful outcome of an idea that germinated early in the business career of Charles F. Vatterott, Jr.

"As a real estate man and lumber dealer for 20 years," he said, "I am aware of the fact that in many subdivisions parents with many children are not welcome and I've sensed the need for something like this.

"In developing 20 subdivisions and building more than 2,000 homes I've seen large families discriminated against time and time again. I've had to turn down big families who wanted to buy or rent because I knew the neighbors would object. So I made up my mind that some day I would develop a subdivision devoted exclusively to big families."

Mr. Vatterott who is the oldest of 11 children and the father of eight, launched the project in April, 1940, and today the last of 100 planned houses are rapidly nearing completion. The finished homes are 80 per cent occupied, many having been sold before they were built.

President of U.S. Speaks About Nazis

The practice of executing scores of innocent hostages in reprisal for isolated attacks on Germans in countries temporarily under the Nazi heel revolts a world already inured to suffering and brutality. Civilized peoples long ago adopted the basic principle that no man should be punished for the deed of another.

Unable to apprehend the persons involved in these attacks the Nazis characteristically slaughter 50 or 100 innocent persons. Those who would "collaborate" with Hitler or try to appease him cannot ignore this ghastly warning.

The Nazis might have learned from the last war the impossibility of breaking men's spirit by terrorism. Instead they develop their "Lebensraum" and "new order" by depths of frightfulness which even they have never approached before.

These are the acts of desperate men who know in their hearts that they cannot win. Frightfulness can never bring peace to Europe. It only sows the seeds of hatred which will one day bring fearful retribution.

—President Roosevelt.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

Here is Benny Goodman and his famed clarinet; the melodic notes from which have been heard with all the great Symphonies on the continent; the hot notes from which have led the country's greatest Swing Band to consistent leadership in the field of distinctly modern music. You're invited to hear King Benny's favorite numbers starred in the Saturday Swing Session—four to five on CKOC—and his concert performances on your favorite network, when they are announced.

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Kenney, Woodhouse & Hawkins entertain the troops on the C. B. C. network each week; and locally much is being done to provide similar entertainment in centres where members of the forces are stationed. Each Thursday night at 8.30 D.S.T., CKOC goes to the Army Trades School in Hamilton, and broadcasts a half hour of entertainment being provided for the boys there.

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Song styles are nearly always 'listening' styles. Baritone Barry Wood, heard frequently on top-notch network shows, is nearly always present in your local 'juke-box', and a favorite recorded singer from your radio station. Barry Wood is popular, talented, personable! A Star of to-day — destined to be a greater star of tomorrow!

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Radio homes across Canada seem to be going for 'Share the Wealth', Saturday nights at 8.30 D.S.T., CKOC and the C. B. C. network. 'Oscar', the money alarm clock has probably the best known tingle of any 'alarmer' used today; and when his value ticks to the tune of six or seven hundred dollars, there's excitement aplenty in store. Handled by Bert Pearl and Hugh Bartlett, both of the Happy Gang, Share the Wealth is smoothly and smartly paced quiz entertainment.

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Some sort of lesson to other folks is the fame which has been won by Alec Templeton, Art Tatum and John Hepler, pianists! Templeton's memory is prodigious—Hepler is said to have memorized 3,653 musical items in ten years. All three pianists, of course, are blind!

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THIS 'N THAT:

Lanny Ross, CBS singing star, has chanted over 10,000 melodies in three years' continuous broadcasting.

"Memoirs of Dr. Lambert", CKOC Fridays at 7 p.m. D.S.T., still maintain a high standard of dramatic presentation!

Clifton Faddiman, noted M.C. of Information Please, is slated for another and equally important radio job soon!

The Happy Gang's Blue Plate Special Fun Book is quite the book. The Gang are giving it away on daily show — two o'clock D.S.T., CKOC and CBC National Network.

OUR RADIO LOG

TORONTO STATIONS		
CFRB	860k, CBL	740k
CKCL	580k, CBY	1010k
U.S. NETWORKS		
WEAF	N.B.C. Red	660k
WJZ	N.B.C. Blue	770k
WABC	(C.B.S.)	880k
WOR	(M.B.S.)	710k
CANADIAN STATIONS		
CFOS	Owen Sd.	1400k
CKOC	Hamilton	1150k
CHML	Hamilton	900k
CKTB	St. Cath.	1230k
CFCF	Montreal	600k
CFCH	North Bay	1230k
CFCO	Chatham	630k
CFPL	London	1570k
CJCS	Stratford	1240k
CFRC	Kingston	1490k
CJIC	Sault Ste. M.	1490k
CJKL	Kirkand L.	560k
CKCR	Waterloo	1490k
CKAC	Montreal	730k
CKCO	Ottawa	1310k
CKGB	Timmins	1470k
CKSO	Sudbury	790k
CKPC	Brantford	1380k
CKLW	Windsor	800k
CKNX	Wingham	1230k
U.S. STATIONS		
WEBR	Buffalo	1340k
WHAM	Rochester	1180k
WLW	Cincinnati	700k
WGY	Schenectady	810k
KDKA	Pittsburgh	1020k
WBBM	Chicago	780k
WBEN	Buffalo	930k
WGR	Buffalo	550k
WKBW	Buffalo	1520k
WJR	Detroit	760k

SHORT WAVE		
GSB	England	9.51m
GSC	England	9.58m
GSD	England	11.75m
GSE	England	11.86m
GSF	England	15.14m
GSG	England	17.79m
GSP	England	15.31m
GSV	England	17.81m
EAR	Spain	9.48m
EA4	Spain	9.86m
RAN	Russia	960m
RNE	Russia	12.00m
RV96	Russia	15.18m
WGEA	Schenectady	15.33m
WCAB	Phila.	15.27m
WRUL	Boston	15.15m
WCBX	N. York	11.83m

15th CENTURY SAILOR

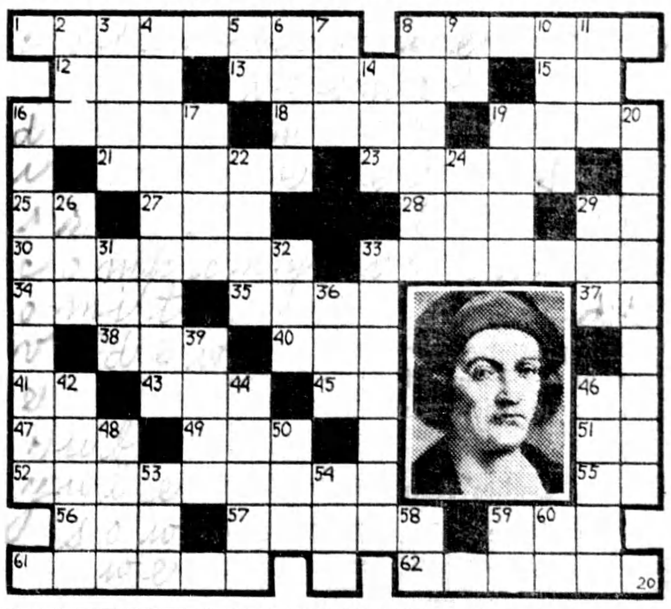
HORIZONTAL

1 Genoese navigator, Christopher ——.
8 His father was a —— or maker of fabric.
12 To thrash.
13 Amphitheater centers.
15 Inward.
16 Sounds of bells.
18 Want.
19 Lace.
21 Compositions for two.
23 Norse myths.
25 Senior (abbr.)
27 Gibbon.
28 Tennis stroke.
29 Ounce (abbr.)
30 Companions.
33 Porch.
34 To leave out.
35 Precept.
37 Doctor (abbr.)
38 Form of moisture.
40 Rocky pinnacle.
41 Sound of inquiry.
43 Roosted.
45 Half an em.
46 Forward.
47 To filch.
49 Brother.
51 Measure.
52 Christmas times.
55 Bone.
56 To plant.
57 Pliable glove leather.
59 Curse.
61 A Spanish queen financed his trip with her ——.
62 He made a westward —— to reach India.

VERTICAL

2 Indian.
3 Earth.
4 Hoofed quadrupeds.
5 Soul.
6 Footed vases.
7 to view.
8 To walk like a duck.
9 Electric term.
10 Contends.
11 Being.
14 Born.
16 He is credited with the —— of America.
17 Chair.
19 Tree.
20 His voyages were —— or dangerous.
22 Weight allowance.
24 Male bee.
26 Gypsy.
29 Uneven.
31 Middle.
32 Simpleton.
33 Lacquer.
36 Fish eggs.
39 Gust.
42 Home.
44 Adorns.
46 Leather strap.
48 To puff.
50 Stir.
53 Female sheep.
54 Triangular shield.
58 Avenue (abbr.)
59 Beside.
60 Lava.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



POP—The Needle Just Bobs Up and Down

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