

### IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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#### PAUL CROSSES INTO EUROPE

LESSON TEXT: Acts 16:10-15; Philippians 3:14.  
GOLDEN TEXT: I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.—Philippians 3:14.

Pressing "toward the mark" (Phil. 3:14) well describes the zeal and intense devotion with which Paul lived his life for Christ. He was wholehearted in giving himself to the preaching of the gospel. Our lesson tells of his carrying of the gospel into Europe by the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit.

It seems appropriate to consider the two Scripture portions in reverse order, looking first at Paul's declaration in Philippians of his passion to know Christ, and then in Acts of his purpose to make Him known. The man with vision is eager to serve. "A task without a vision makes a man a drudge; a vision without a task makes him a visionary; a task and a vision makes him a missionary."

#### I. Paul's Passion to Know Christ (Phil. 3:14).

There were many things in Paul's life of which he was proud, until he met Christ, and then everything else lost its importance and interest.

All things in life are relative in value and our attachment to them is determined by our heart attitude.

Now being spiritually minded and having found in Christ real satisfaction for his soul, the Christian counts as refuse the things in which the world takes such pride and satisfaction.

To "know Him" calls for a depth of experience, sacrifice and of joy which is not easy to describe in words. It begins with a divine righteousness imparted by faith. Self-righteousness will not suffice. This is not a matter of law, but of grace.

It is a resurrection faith and therefore powerful. It is a faith which accepts suffering for Christ as a part of fellowship with Him—not only bearable but glorious because it is in the power of His resurrection.

That fellowship is one day to be complete and eternal, for there is to be for Paul the assured experience of a personal resurrection out from among the dead (v. 11). The faith of a Christian looks beyond the grave.

All this has to do with the present, as well as the blessed future. The man who has this kind of spiritual experience shares the purpose of Paul expressed in verses 12-14. Here there is no resting back in self-satisfied comfort, no pride in one's past victories, no sense of having "arrived."

Paul saw not only the necessity but the blessedness of going from victory to victory. Too many Christians of today are entirely satisfied with what they have attained (and it is usually all too little).

There is a prize to be gained, the prize of our "high calling in Christ Jesus." Let us, like Paul, be filled with holy dissatisfaction with ourselves until we reach that blessed goal.

The man who had such a vision was ready for God's call to carry the gospel into Europe.

#### II. Paul's Purpose to Make Christ Known (Acts 16:13-15).

The story of the conversion of Lydia has many elements of special interest. It presents the turning point in the progress of the gospel, which by the grace and leading of God brought it northward to Europe rather than southward into Africa. Many of us have heard because of the way Paul was led, and one wonders if Europe and America might not otherwise have been the "dark continents" rather than Africa. We are what we are by the grace of God.

Then we note that the first convert was a woman. She was not the last woman to give an attentive ear and a believing heart to the gospel message. The church through all its history has been blessed by the readiness of women to bear and heed the gospel.

We like to note that she set a pattern of hospitality and service which her sisters in the church have maintained (see v. 15). She "constrained" the visiting preachers to enjoy the comforts of her fine home, and thus put forward the work of Christ (see III John 5-8).

It is encouraging to note how perfectly the leading of the Holy Spirit worked out in the experience of Paul and his brethren. The Lord sent His prepared messenger to the place where there was a prepared heart waiting to receive the Word with gladness.

We may confidently go on the errands of our God, knowing that when He leads, He goes before and prepares the way. That does not mean that there will be no trials and difficulties. Paul had plenty of them (see II Cor. 11:23-33). But it does mean that we may go with the assurance of blessed results, in His name, and with the grace to bear whatever comes along the way—for His glory.

### HORNBY

His many friends were delighted to welcome home from Christie Street Hospital, Toronto, last week, Pte. Harold Robertson. Harold looks and feels in the best of health, and is able to get about very nicely on crutches. The broken hip has mended and is likely to be as good as before, though the leg will be somewhat shorter than the other.

The funeral of the late Miss Janet Cunningham who passed away on Wednesday morning last, April 26th, was held from her late residence, Sixth concession, Esquimaux, on Friday afternoon and was largely attended. Interment being made in Evergreen Cemetery, Milton. Miss Cunningham had lived all her life where she was born, on May 27th, 1871. She lived a quiet, useful life, and endeared herself to her large circle of friends and neighbours. She is survived by two brothers, Robertson on the home place, William in Toronto and one sister, Mrs. McNair of Milton. Deep sympathy is extended to these in their sorrow.

The P. D. Salter Chopping and Seed-Cleaning Mill at Agerton, has a new owner in the person of Mr. Delbert Downes, Sixth Line, Trafalgar, who takes possession this week we believe.

We congratulate Mr. Downes and wish him every success in his new business undertaking. He is widely and favourably known throughout the community, and will, we are sure give the best possible service and complete satisfaction in all his dealings with his many clients.

The meeting of ratepayers of Hornby School Section to consider the matter of the proposed township-school area was fairly well attended last Thursday evening. The vote taken after discussion showed a large majority against the advanced proposed legislation.

### TERRA COTTA

A number of our citizens attended Mr. J. H. Hoare's clearing at Union on Friday afternoon and all report an excellent sale. Bidding was brisk. Mr. Frank Petch, Georgetown's hustling auctioneer wielded the stick in his usual good style.

Mr. Benton of Limehouse also was the bookkeeper which duties he also performed in a very able manner. Mrs. Harvey Puckering and family of Toronto, spent the week end with Mrs. C. Icam and family.

Miss R. Ferris, a student teacher from Toronto was teaching at the 5th Line here recently under the able tuition of our efficient teacher, Miss L. Snow of Ballinacra.

In passing Miss Ferris who is very much interested in vocal music was very much pleased with the school children's vocal talents here. This speaks well for Terra Cotta and Union's musical talent.

Mr. Wm. Norrie of the Mountain, had a large gang of men buzzing wood, last week having had over a hundred cords cut.

It is expected that seeding will be in full swing in this vicinity this week, and the fall wheat never looked better and it is expected it will be a bumper crop this year. Of course the Good Book, says that we are promised seed time and harvest.

Mr. Wm. Stringer of Toronto spent the week end with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon Stringer and family of this place.

Trout fishing is now the order of the day and some good catches are reported.

Mr. J. Edge visited with friends in Toronto last week.

Mr. W. F. Hunter of the 5th Line, has purchased an up-to-date Chevrolet car. Success to you Will.

Mrs. K. Icam has opened up her ice cream parlour here for the summer. We wish her continued success. Another harbinger of spring.

Some of our progressive farmers are busily engaged building wire fences in this section at present which also adds considerably to the appearances of their farms.

Miss Frances Rutledge who has been on the sick list during the past week, we are pleased to learn is now on the mend.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles McNally on the birth of a son, on April 28th. Both are doing well.

We were much pleased to read the interesting Historical Reminiscences of Limehouse in last week's issue of the Herald. How about Terra Cotta next. Surely it must have some historical background.

Hark the wedding bells are ringing loudly in our hamlet at present, further particulars later. May—the good work continue.

Mrs. Petch intends spending her summer holidays in Terra Cotta. This hamlet seems to be a tourist village.

### FIRE IN NORVAL MONDAY MORNING

A quarter of the roof was burnt completely out, and considerable damage was done by water used to extinguish the blaze, in the home of Mr. Bert Scott, Norval, on Monday morning. Col. Alex Noble owns the house.

The blaze started from a spark from the chimney which lit on the shingles. The fire had already made good headway before it was noticed by one of the neighbours. Immediately all the men, women and children within reach formed a bucket brigade, and after considerable work, succeeded in confining the blaze to one spot, and put it out.

### Further Correspondence From Children's Aid Society

(Article Four as prepared by the Association of Children's Aid Societies of the Province of Ontario.)

In this series of articles we have been looking backward to the dawn of the Children's Protection Movement in Ontario and following its development down the past half century. We have emphasized and re-emphasized the democratic nature of the Children's Aid Society in your own and every other community. We must never forget that with great wisdom, vision and high social intent our Children's Aid Societies were founded as organizations to be placed in the hands of the people of our communities.

This work of protection of children sprang from the hearts and was developed by the efforts of good and tender men and women. Legislation followed and the Children's Aid Society emerged as the instrument for the carrying out of the ideal that every child has a birthright in a civilized society!

Let us put it this way: The organs for the carrying out of the work are the Societies; the structure of the whole enterprise is the legislation defining the powers and purpose of the Societies, but the life-blood that flows through the whole organization of protection is your zeal, your interest, your concern and your support of your Children's Aid Society.

In a later article we shall show what the public-spirited love of children can do for his or her Children's Aid Society by serving on its boards or one of their committees; how such people can broaden and extend its services, strengthen the hands of its trained and paid officials and enlist the whole-hearted cooperation and intelligent understanding of other men and women of the community.

It is the intention now to give as clear a picture as is possible in a brief space of some of the various functions performed by your Children's Aid Society under Ontario statutes. Under the Children's Protection Act the Society is constituted the specialist in guardianship, being legally appointed to appraise and determine the suitability of a child's own natural guardians.

Let us review a typical case that came before one of the Societies: Here we have a married couple with three children ranging in age from 2 to 6 years. Neither are vicious but they are irresponsible, lazy and thrifless to the point that their children are being neglected and suffering. The man has lost one job after another due to inefficiency. What he does earn he and his wife spend in the beer parlour. At the time the Society is called in by neighbours the man has lost his job, nearly all the furniture has been sold; there is scarcely any food in the house, the gas and electric power has been cut off and the children are sleeping on a chesterfield. But those parents are not actively unkind to their children, who obviously have affection for them. Is there any hope of salvaging this family? Certainly not without very severe discipline and surveillance! The Society decides to charge them both with neglect and bring them into court, applying for temporary wardship of the children.

Pending the disposition of the case father and mother are detained and finally both placed on probation. They are told they must be able to show a rehabilitated home and a sincere desire to accept their parental responsibility before their children will be returned to them. In this case the couple did make amends. They went to work; re-established their home and today, under the watchful eye of the Society have their children back with them. Had they not straightened up the children would have had to be made permanent wards.

Can a Society remove children from their home? Yes. It can and must lay evidence and produce information that these children are in unfit hands. Court action is taken and the judge or magistrate decides whether to commit them to the Society, either permanently or temporarily. "Ward care"—that is, the over-all cost of maintenance in foster home or institution—is paid for under statute of the municipality. What this guardianship implies in the moral, physical and spiritual care of these little future citizens will be discussed later. It involves the whole policy of Children's Aid.

The Unmarried Parents' Act gives the Society very definite powers. These make it obligatory for it to act as a protective agent to any child born out of wedlock, and, lacking the protection it is entitled to, wardship action is taken. Another function is to contact the putative father and arrange for maintenance of his child. But outside of its statutory obligations, there is always assumed by the Society a service in helping to re-establish the unmarried mother. Close follow-up work is not only socially sound and humane, but financially advantageous to the public. A second child, under such circumstances is nearly always a public charge—and so the liabilities increase!

So we come back again to the part the men and women of every community can and should play in their Children's Aid Society. Prevention and more prevention is becoming the keynote in every enlightened community. First, in the interest of the child's happiness and well being—that must



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### C.P.R. Gun Plant in Foothills Aids Atlantic Convoys



Three thousand, four hundred and thirty-eight feet above sea level and 2,000 rail miles from the Atlantic seaboard, the Canadian Pacific Railway's Ogden Shops in Calgary provides an outstanding example of the switch-over of the entire C.P.R. system from peace to war. Naval guns made there, at one of the approaches to the Rocky Mountains, have played, and are playing, their part on these other celebrated approaches—the Atlantic approaches to the Old Country—over which supplies for the fighting must have to pass.

The 12-pounder gun, inset on left, in this picture of new at

work finishing gun barrels in the great foothills work centre, is a sample of the type of ordnance turned out at Ogden Shops, which now is preparing to go into production on its fifth type of naval gun mount. British, Canadian and American sea services all have shared in the ordnance turned out to fight against Hitler's underwater killers.

Ogden Shops' floor space of 2,500,000 square feet, full overhead crane service and geographical location first convinced the Department of Munitions and Supply and its branches that the

Calgary shop was an ideal place to turn out the naval guns and a request was made for its use late in the Fall of 1940. To make way for the navy work the shops had first to be cleared of the major locomotive and mechanical repairs it normally handled for the C.P.R. from British Columbia, Alberta and part of Saskatchewan, with this repair schedule of vital importance in itself to war freight and passenger movements. Heavy repairs now go to Winnipeg and in some cases as far as Angus Shops in Montreal and light repairs to smaller local repair shops.

### BRAMPTON

Brampton Cycling Club have elected A. H. Miller president for 1944-45 and will invest \$300 of their surplus in the Sixth Victory Loan Bonds. The same house of Sam Headlock, on the sixth line, six miles north of Miss

Mills, was destroyed recently by fire which started in the chimney. No fire fighting equipment was able to reach the blaze and efforts of neighbors were hampered by lack of water. Water had to be carried by buckets from cisterns at the barn.

The 1st Brampton Group of Boy Scouts held a very successful "parents' night" last Monday. The parents turned out in full force which was very encouraging to the Scouts in charge. Although Brampton is not situated

on a large body of water, about a dozen sea gulls have made their home in the Etobicoke River flats south of the town. Maybe they have heard of our annual fop.

Carl Tilson, first line west, Brampton, lost part of two fingers from his right hand when operating a bus saw.—Gazette and Conservator.

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