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A Message to Parents

Dear Parents:

We live in a selfish society among self-centered people, children and youth. What a tremendous challenge lies before us Christian parents to guard our children from the "leaven" of selfishness. This quarter, as we watch our Saviour working untiringly for others, let us lift the eyes of our children from themselves to the unselfish life of Jesus Christ.

Why is it important for our children to learn to be thoughtful of others, and forgetful of self? "Love, the basis of creation and of redemption, is the basis of true education." —*Counsels to Parents, Teachers and Students*, p. 32. "The law of love calls for the devotion of body, mind, and soul to the service of God and our fellow men. And this service, while making us a blessing to others, brings the greatest blessing to ourselves. Unselfishness underlies all true development. Through unselfish service we receive the highest culture of every faculty." —*ibid.* We can tell our children that when they learn to be unselfish, they will have a sharp mind and happy heart.

By God's grace, let us demonstrate to them true, unselfish service by doing unselfish deeds for our spouses, neighbors and other church members. The best way to teach them the meaning of this principle, "none of us liveth to himself, and no

man dieth to himself" (Romans 14:7), is by our example. If we do this, God will awaken in our children an ambition to cheerfully help to serve others.

"The parents and teachers who by wise instruction, in a calm, decided manner, accustom children to think of and care for others, will help them to overcome their selfishness and will close the door against many temptations. Angels of God will cooperate with these faithful instructors. Angels are not commissioned to do this work themselves; but they will give strength and efficiency to those who, in the fear of God, seek to train the young to a life of usefulness." —*ibid.*, pp. 148, 149. Victory over temptation in general and selfishness in particular, a sharp mind and happiness, are some of the wonderful benefits that we and our children can reap as they learn to die to self and live for Jesus and others.

Let us keep looking for instructions from our Master Teacher, who came to this world not to be served but to serve. May we inspire our children to follow in His footsteps.

Your Friends at the Sabbath School
Department



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Lesson Helps:

Luke 12:13; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 252, 253.

Questions:

1. What is an inheritance?
2. What did the unhappy brother ask Jesus?

How About You:

Do you quarrel with your brother or sister? How do you make up after a fight?



Forgive your brothers or sisters when they hurt you.

Parents' Corner:

"And one of the company said unto Him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me." Through Moses, God had given directions concerning the transmission of property. The eldest son received a double portion of the father's estate (Deut. 21:17), while the younger brothers were to share alike. This man thinks that his brother has defrauded him of his inheritance. His own efforts have failed to secure what he regards as his due, but if Christ will interpose the end will surely be gained." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 253.

The Rich, Foolish Farmer



Sunday

Memory Verse:

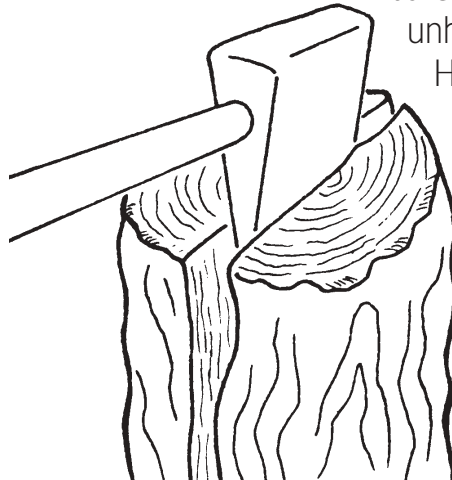
"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Luke 12:34.

Bury the Hatchet

Larry and Don had been quarreling all afternoon. At last, their father said to them, "I think it's time for you to bury the hatchet." "Bury the hatchet? Where is the hatchet?" wondered the boys. Father explained, "The expression 'bury the hatchet' comes to us from the Indians. It means, we are not going to bother any more about old quarrels. The Indians really buried their hatchets, tomahawks, knives, and war clubs when they were ready to make peace."

Don spoke first. "Well, even if I don't have a hatchet, I guess I've been using very sharp words with you, Larry." "Oh well, I was just as bad," said Larry. Don, the older brother had a great idea. "Let's pretend we are Indians and let's bury our mean-word hatchets." "Let's do it," said Larry. Father was glad that after the "hatchet burying," there was quiet and peace again.

Do you fight with your brother or sister sometimes? Although we love our brother or sister, we may sometimes quarrel with them. Even in the time of Jesus, brothers and sisters would get into fights. One day an unhappy brother came to see Jesus. He asked Him, "Teacher, can you tell my brother not to be selfish, and to divide the inheritance with me?" What would Jesus tell him? ❖

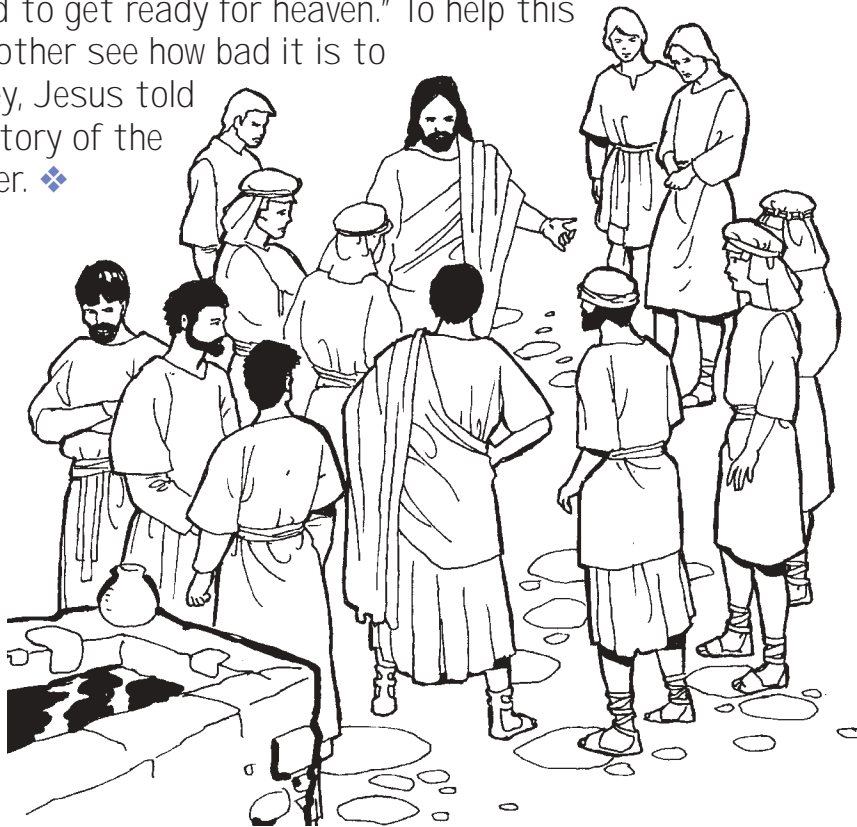


 Monday

Jesus Reads the Heart

Do you know why this brother came to see Jesus? His father had died and had left him and his brother the house and some money. We call this an inheritance. In Jewish families, the oldest boy received two times more of his father's inheritance than his younger brothers. The brother who came to Jesus felt that it was not fair that his older brother should get more of his father's money and land. He had seen how the people always listened to Jesus. "Maybe," he thought to himself, "Jesus can talk to my older brother and he will listen also."

Jesus could read the mind of this selfish young man. Although Jesus had talked to him about salvation, he had cared more about getting rich than going to heaven. Jesus told him, "It is not My job to be your judge. Be careful that you are not greedy. There are other things that are more important than being rich and having lots of land, houses, and money." Jesus could have fixed the quarrel between the two brothers, but He knew that both of them loved money too much. So He told this unhappy brother, "It is not My job to fix your quarrel. I came to teach people how to be saved and to get ready for heaven." To help this selfish brother see how bad it is to love money, Jesus told him the story of the rich farmer. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Luke 12:14, 15; *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 254.

Questions:

1. What did Jesus tell the young man? Who came to ask His help?
2. Why didn't Jesus want to fix the quarrel between the two brothers?

How about you:

When you get in a fight with your brother or sister, do you make things right yourself or do you cry to Mom or Dad for help?



Learn to make peace with your brother or sister.

Parents' Corner:

"Jesus could have told this man just what was right. He knew the right in the case; but the brothers were in a quarrel because both were covetous. Christ virtually said, It is not My work to settle controversies of this kind. He came for another purpose, to preach the gospel, and thus to arouse men to a sense of eternal realities." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 254.

Lesson Helps:


Luke 12:16-19; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 255, 256.

Questions:

1. Why did the farmer want to tear down his old barns and make bigger ones?
2. What did he forget as he was thinking about his riches?

How About You:

Are you happy with the toys you have, or are you always asking Mom and Dad to buy you more? What are some gifts Jesus gives you every day? Do you remember to thank Him?

 Be content with what you have.

Parents' Corner:

"This man's aims were no higher than those of the beasts that perish. He lived as if there were no God, no heaven, no future life; as if everything he possessed were his own, and he owed nothing to God or man. The psalmist described this rich man when he wrote, 'The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God.' Ps. 14:1." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 257, 258.



Tuesday

The Story of the Rich Farmer

"A long time ago," Jesus said, "there lived a rich farmer who had much land. He had fruit, vegetables, and grains growing on his farm. There were big barns where he stored the food that he picked. But one year, his farm produced so much food that there was no room in his barns to store it all. 'Where shall I put all this food?' he wondered. The rich farmer became proud, and he said to himself, 'I must have more room for all this food. If I store all this wheat, I will be richer than ever before. I will tear down my old barns and build new, larger ones. In them I will put all my crops and my farm tools. Then I won't have to work for many years. I will be able to rest and have plenty to eat and drink. Best of all, I will do as I please and have a good time for many years to come.'

"As the rich farmer was making these selfish plans, someone was watching him. God in heaven could see the large fields of wheat, the fruit and the vineyards. Each day God had lovingly sent the sunshine to shine on his farm. He had sent rain from heaven to water his vineyards, orchards, and gardens. Who do you think gave the farmer the strength to work in his garden every day? God did. If God did not give him the sunshine, rain and strength to work, he would have no farm. Not once did the farmer thank God for all these wonderful gifts. How sad God was that the farmer forgot all about Him and acted as if everything was his own!" ❖




 Wednesday

The Homeless Mothers and Children

Did you ever go to the city and see homeless mothers with children walking around the streets? They carry all their belongings in a few bags or push them in a grocery cart. Sometimes they stand in front of a supermarket and hold a sign that says "Need Food." We are sad to see poor, hungry children, so we like to buy them some food or give them some money. This rich farmer had also seen poor and homeless children. He knew that some of them had no fathers and that their mothers couldn't make much money, but he did not care to help them. These poor people had asked him for help, but he would not listen to their cry. Since he had so much, he could have easily given them

food for their hungry stomachs and clothes to wear. How good he would have felt to see their happy faces, praising God for his kindness. But the farmer had closed his ears to their cries, and said to himself, "Now you have much food and money saved up for many years, take it easy—eat, drink, and have a good time."

As God looked at the selfish farmer, He saw that He would always be selfish. He would never be a help to anyone in the world, so He said to him, "You are a foolish man. Tonight you are going to die. Then who will have your riches?" After Jesus told this story, He turned to the people and said, "This will happen to everyone who wants to be rich in this world and not rich toward God." ❖

Lesson Helps:


Luke 12:20, 21; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 257, 258.

Questions:

1. What should the rich farmer have done with the extra food he had?
2. Since he didn't want to share his riches with the poor, what happened to him?

How about you:

Are you rich toward Jesus? Do you give some of your good toys, books and food to poor children? Or do you give them the junky, broken toys that you don't want?

 Help those who are less fortunate than yourself.

Parents' Corner:

"But 'the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.' 1 Cor. 3:19. While the rich man is looking forward to years of enjoyment, the Lord is making far different plans. The message comes to this unfaithful steward, 'Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee.' Here is a demand that money cannot supply. The wealth he has treasured can purchase no reprieve. In one moment that which he has toiled through his whole life to secure becomes worthless to him. 'Then whose shall those things be which thou hast provided?' His broad fields and well-filled granaries pass from under his control. 'He heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.' Ps. 39:6." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 258.

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Lesson Helps:

1 John 5:11, 12; *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 259.

Questions:

1. Why did Jesus tell us the story of the rich farmer?
2. If Jesus gives us riches, what should we use it for?

How About You:

What are some things you can do to be rich? What will make you the happiest boy or girl in the world?



Be rich in kind, helpful deeds, and words of love.

Parents' Corner:

"To live for self is to perish. Covetousness, the desire of benefit for self's sake, cuts the soul off from life. It is the spirit of Satan to get, to draw to self. It is the spirit of Christ to give, to sacrifice self for the good of others. 'And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.' 1 John 5:11, 12." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 259.

Thursday

You Can Be Rich

Did you ever wish that your father and mother were rich and had a lot of money? Maybe you have wished to live in a big house with ponies and lots of toys. Some boys and girls think that if they could go to the store and buy anything they like, they would be so happy. But let me tell you a secret, boys and girls. A big house with nice furniture and lots of toys would not make you happy. The love of Jesus in our hearts is the only thing that can make us truly happy. With Jesus in our hearts, we will love to share what we have with others. Then, if Jesus gives us money, we will use it to help the poor and the sick, and also to send missionaries to China, Africa, and around the world.

How sad it is that some Christian moms and dads love money more than Jesus. They work hard because they want to be rich. Sometimes they have no time to go to prayer meeting and church. How do you think Jesus feels about that? Yes, He is very sad. He does not want anyone to love money so much that they will forget about Him. To teach us not to love money, Jesus gave us the story of the rich, foolish farmer. Here are some neat ways that you and your family can be rich: Be rich in little acts of kindness, little words of love, little smiles that bring sunshine to others, and then you will be the happiest boy or girl in your neighborhood. ❖





 Friday

Made to Last

"Sharon is so lucky," Nick thought, as he plopped down on the front steps of his house. He sighed as he stretched his legs out in front of him. Sharon's family was wealthy, and Sharon had all sorts of neat things: a swimming pool, lots of neat toys, and even her own computer! She bragged a lot, though, and swished her long, black hair around all the time. And just now, Sharon had shown him the special set of building blocks that he had been wanting. "Look what I've got," she said smugly.

"Some friend!" Nick thought. She knew he'd been trying to get that set for a long time.

The clanging of dishes told Nick that his mom was setting the table for supper. He went inside. "Hi, Mom," he murmured, and she looked up. "It's not fair," complained Nick. "Sharon gets everything she wants. She even gets everything I want. It's so upsetting. She has so many special things. That's OK, but she doesn't have to wave it in front of my face!"

"Sharon does seem to have a lot of special treasures," agreed Mom, "but will any of them last very long?" Nick shrugged. "Does she have any treasures in heaven that can't be taken away or stolen?" continued Mom.

Nick knew that all the things that Sharon possessed would get lost, stolen, broken, or worn out—including the building blocks. "You know, I'm not sure Sharon even knows about heavenly treasures," he said.

"She could," suggested Mom.

Nick smiled. He could hear Sharon calling him. "Yeah," he agreed, "like right now."

Many people store up treasures on this earth. Bugs and mice chew holes in clothes, books, and plenty of other things. Fires destroy many homes every year, and the people in those homes sometimes lose everything they have. There are also burglars who rob them when they aren't aware, and rust and decay do their part also.

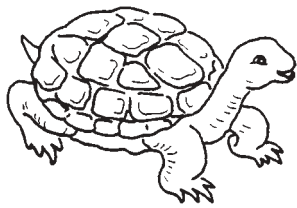
Jesus taught that we should lay up treasure in heaven where nothing can harm it. You might ask, "How can I lay up treasure in heaven?" By giving your heart to Jesus, and learning not to be selfish. Everything you do for someone else, it is as if you have done it for Jesus. ❖

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal."
Matthew 6:20.



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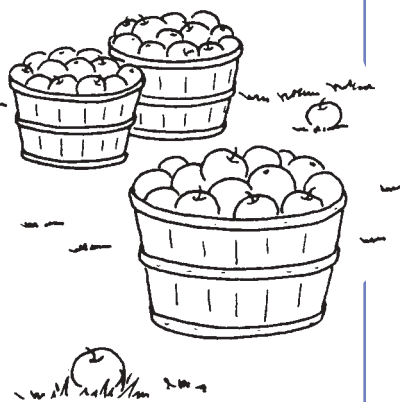
Lesson Aim:

To acknowledge that everything we have comes from God.

Lesson Objectives for Sabbath School Teachers:

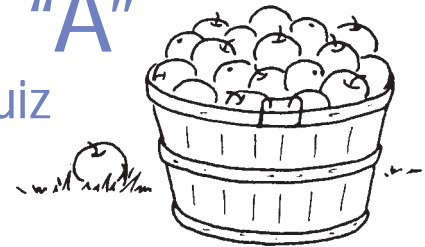
Review the rich farmer's story and apply the following principles practically to the child's life:

1. Be content with what you have.
2. Share what you have with others who are less fortunate.
3. Be rich in good deeds and kind words toward others.



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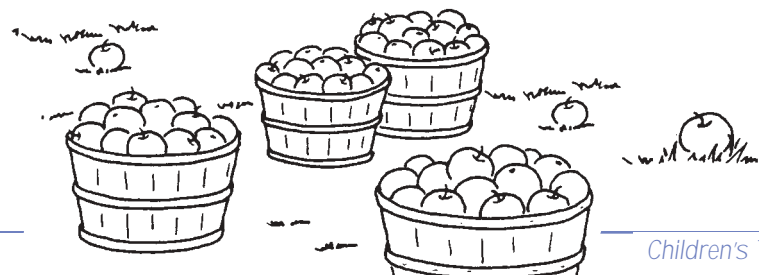
Letter "A"
Bible Quiz



Dear Children:

We are coming to the end of our journey through the Bible. Remember how excited you were when you got your first Sabbath Bible Lesson? We began studying our Bible from the beginning with the story of Adam and Eve. We have almost finished studying the stories from the Bible. This quarter we are coming to the end of Jesus' life on this earth. After you finish this lesson book, you will only have three more new books, and then we will be all done. But, we don't want you to forget all the great Bible heroes such as Joseph, Moses, Ruth, Hannah, Samuel, David, Elijah, Daniel and others, so each Sabbath we will give you a Bible quiz. The Bible quizzes will be by the letters of the alphabet. Today, all our questions will be about people whose names start with the letter A. Try to remember what person we are talking about before you look up the answer in the Bible. Ask for mom's help if you really need it. Happy remembering!

1. Who was the brother of Moses? Exodus 4:14. _____
2. Who was killed by Cain? Genesis 4:8. _____
3. Who was Isaac's father? Genesis 21:3. _____
4. Who was created out of the dust of the ground? Genesis 2:7, 19. _____
5. Who was saved in the furnace? Daniel 3:26. _____





The Story of a Kind Traveler

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 Sunday

Memory Verse:

“Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.” Luke 10:27.

What Should I Do to Be Saved?

If Jesus would come to visit your house, what would you like to ask Him? Would you ask Him to give you a special toy? Would you ask Him to help you be more obedient and kind, or would you ask Him to take you to heaven with Him? When Jesus lived on this earth, anyone could just walk up to Him and ask Him whatever he or she liked. One day, while Jesus was teaching the people, a lawyer came to ask Him a very important question. “Jesus,” he said, “what do I have to do to be saved?” This man honestly wanted to know what he must do to go to heaven.

Jesus asked him, “What do you read in the commandments?” The man answered, “You should love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, with all your strength, with all your mind, and your neighbor as thyself.” “You gave the right answer,” Jesus said. “Go and do this and you will live.” Perhaps the lawyer thought, “I really don’t like poor Farmer Luke who lives down the street from me. And Mr. Timothy is such a nosy neighbor. He’s always coming over.”

As the lawyer listened to Jesus, he felt that he did not love his neighbor like himself. So he asked, “Who is my neighbor?” Instead of answering his question, Jesus told him a story of a kind man who helped his neighbor. Do you know the name of this story? ❖

Lesson Helps:


Luke 10:25-29; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 497, 498.

Questions:

1. What two things do we have to do to be saved?
2. What does it mean to love God with all our heart and strength?

How About You:

Do you love others as much as yourself?

 Love God and your neighbor.

Parents' Corner:

“The lawyer was not satisfied with the position and works of the Pharisees. He had been studying the Scriptures with a desire to learn their real meaning. He had a vital interest in the matter, and had asked in sincerity, ‘What shall I do?’ ” —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 497.



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Lesson Helps:


Luke 10:30-32; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 499, 500.

Questions:

1. What did the priest do when he saw the poor, wounded man?
2. What did the Levite do? What was he thinking?

How About You:

What do you do when you see your little brother or sister get hurt?

 Treat others the way you want them to treat you.

Parents' Corner:

"In journeying from Jerusalem to Jericho, the traveler had to pass through a portion of the wilderness of Judea. The road led down a wild, rocky ravine, which was infested by robbers, and was often the scene of violence. It was here that the traveler was attacked, stripped of all that was valuable, wounded and bruised, and left half dead by the wayside. As he lay thus, the priest came that way; but he merely glanced toward the wounded man. Then the Levite appeared. Curious to know what had happened, he stopped and looked at the sufferer. He was convicted of what he ought to do; but it was not an agreeable duty. He wished that he had not come that way, so that he need not have seen the wounded man. He persuaded himself that the case was no concern of his." —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 499.

Monday

Robbers Attack a Man

Jesus liked to tell stories, but the stories He told were not fairy tales. They were true stories that happened to real people. Listen to the story He told the lawyer: "A man was walking one day from Jerusalem to Jericho. The road was lonely and far away from any houses. There were great big rocks and caves along both sides of the road where robbers were hiding and waiting for someone to pass by. Suddenly as the man walked by the rocks, some thieves jumped out and caught him. Robbing the poor traveler of all his money, they took off his clothes and beat him. Leaving him almost dead, they ran away.

"Soon after, a priest was walking home from the temple on that same road. This priest pretended to love God, but when he saw this poor, hurt man he turned his head and walked to the other side of the road. After a while, a Levite who also worked in the temple came by. Being curious, he stopped to look at the poor man. The Levite knew he should help him, but he did not feel like it. In his mind he thought, 'I wish I had not walked home this way. Then I would not have seen this wretched man.' "

God had allowed the priest and the Levite to walk along the same road where the suffering man lay, so He could see if they really loved their neighbor. The angels watched these supposedly faithful Christians as they ignored the poor, bleeding man. How sad they were that they did not help him. ❖




 Tuesday

The Good Samaritan

As the wounded man lay in the dirt, too sick and weak to move, he must have thought, "Won't anyone help me?" Suddenly, he heard some footsteps. Another traveler was coming along the road. He was a stranger from another country called Samaria, a heathen man who did not know about Jesus. When he saw the poor, bleeding man, he knelt down beside him, took some oil from his bag, and put it on his wounds. Next he wrapped his wounds with a cloth. Gently, he picked him up and put him on his donkey. Slowly he walked beside him, holding him so he would not fall. After

a while, they came to a place like a motel. The Samaritan carried the sick man into a nice, clean room and took care of him all night.

The next morning, he had to leave, so he told the motel keeper, "Here is some money. Take care of this sick man for me. Let him stay here until he is well and able to travel. If you spend more money than this, I will pay you when I come again."

After Jesus had told the story, he looked at the lawyer and asked, "Which of these three men were good neighbors to the man who was robbed by thieves?" The lawyer answered, "The one who helped him." Now Jesus said to him, "You go and help others in the same way." ❖



Lesson Helps:


Luke 10:30-35; *The Desire of Ages*, p. 503.

Questions:

1. Who was the last man that came down the road from Jerusalem?
2. How did he treat the hurt man?

How About You:

When someone needs your help, do you turn away as the priest did, or do you say like the Levite, "I wish I had never passed by here"? Or do you help them like the good Samaritan?

 Be a good Samaritan in your home, church, and neighborhood.

Parents' Corner:

"Thus the question, 'Who is my neighbor?' is forever answered. Christ has shown that our neighbor does not mean merely one of the church or faith to which we belong. It has no reference to race, color, or class distinction. Our neighbor is every person who needs our help. Our neighbor is every soul who is wounded and bruised by the adversary. Our neighbor is everyone who is the property of God." —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 503.

Lesson Helps:


Luke 10:36, 37; *The Desire of Ages*, p. 504.

Questions:

1. Why did Jesus tell the story of the Good Samaritan?
2. Who is our neighbor?

How About You:

What are some kind deeds you can do for your family, friends and neighbors?

 Look for ways to help others.

Parents' Corner:

"Unless there is practical self-sacrifice for the good of others, in the family circle, in the neighborhood, in the church, and wherever we may be, then whatever our profession, we are not Christians." —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 504.



Wednesday

Who Is Your Neighbor?

Now that you heard the story of the Good Samaritan, can you figure out who is your neighbor? Any person who needs your help is your neighbor. It does not matter if he is white, black, brown, or yellow. It does not matter if he goes to church or not. It does not matter if he or she is young or old. All that matters is that they need help. When we are kind to others, Jesus counts it as if we were being kind to Him.

One boy, after reading the story of the Good Samaritan, wanted to be helpful just like him. He could not find anyone who was in big trouble like the man in the story, but he did find his little brother crying because he could not find his cap. So he found it for him and made him happy. Another day, he took some flowers to a sick boy. One morning as he was going to school he saw a baby bird on the ground. The wind had been blowing so hard that it had shaken the little bird out of its nest. It was not old enough to fly, so he picked it up, climbed the tree and put it back in its cozy nest. What are some things you can do to be a good Samaritan in your home and neighborhood? ❖



 Thursday

Another Good Samaritan

Has Mother or Father ever told you a story that had two different meanings? The story of the Good Samaritan has another meaning besides the one we just told you. Do you know who is the poor, bruised man in the story? It is you and I. Satan, the bad robber, has attacked us. He has stolen everything we have, beaten us, and left us to die. Jesus, the Good Samaritan, saw us suffering and felt sorry for us. So, He left His throne in heaven and came down to our rescue. He healed our wounds, took off His white robe and covered us. At last He died on the cross to save us.

Today Jesus tells us, "Just as I came down to rescue you, so I want you to rescue others from sin. I want you to love each other as much as I have loved you. If any of you say, I love God while you hate your brother, you are a liar. For if you can't love your brother whom you see, how can you love God whom you can't see?" ❖



Lesson Helps:


John 15:17; 13:34; 1 John 4:20, 12; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 503, 504.

Questions:

1. Who is the good Samaritan, the robber, and the man in the story?
2. How does Jesus want us to treat our brother, sister, friend, or any other person for whom He died?

How About You:

Do you say, "I love Jesus, but I can't love my brother when he is mean to me"? What is wrong with such thoughts?

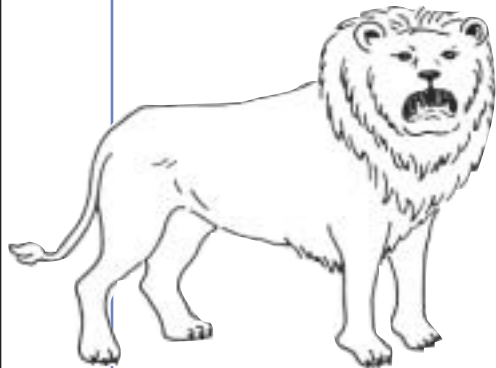
 When you love your brother, you are also loving God.

Parents' Corner:

"For the spirit we manifest toward our brethren declares what is our spirit toward God. The love of God in the heart is the only spring of love toward our neighbor." —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 505.

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"Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I am the Lord."
Leviticus 19:32.



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The Bully

Billy was the worst boy in the village; his father had spoiled him.

"Don't check the boy," he would say to his wife, "you will crush the manhood right out of Billy."

And so he grew up to be the terror of the neighborhood. He would do his tricks on the old, weak, and crippled people.

He often made fun of one poor woman, who was bent by old age from taking care of her sick son. Every day she heard his mean words, because she had to draw water from the well next to the boys' school.

She never gave him any rebuke until one day she said with tears in her eyes, "Go home, child, and read the story of Elisha and the two bears."

"I don't care about Elisha," Billy said.

That day, another boy named Charles heard the mean words. "Shame on you, Billy," said Charles. "Shame! Shame!" And to show his sympathy, Charles ran to help the poor woman. "Let me get the water for you, ma'am," and he gently took the bucket from her hand. "I will now bring you water every day, so you need not come for it."

"God bless you! Oh, bless you!" she exclaimed as she wiped away the tears.

Billy was reported to the school principal, and he received detention for one week. He couldn't go on breaks, but as soon as the teacher became very busy with his work, Billy sneaked out. "Now let him punish me if he can," he yelled in rebellion as he ran backwards, throwing up his arms. All of a sudden his shouting stopped; there was a plunge, and a horrible scream.

The well beside the school was being repaired, and someone had not covered it properly. So Billy fell in. There was not much water in the well, or he would have drowned. Charles quickly went for some rope, and ran back to the well to finish his rescue. In no time he came back up with the deformed and apparently dead Billy. The pale face of the wicked boy filled the boys with horror, and in perfect silence they carried him to the house of the poor, old lady which was nearby. She had also seen him fall.

Now the boy who had made fun of her, was lying on her own bed. She prayed for him while tenderly ministering to him. Soon the doctor arrived, and did what he could.

When poor Billy woke up at last, he was told that his back was broken. When he was well enough, he begged for the poor, old lady's forgiveness, which she gladly gave. But forever after, he always had a hunched back.

Boys and girls, remember to treat others, especially older people, with the same respect and courtesy you would like. Jesus is also happy when we are kind to those who hurt us. ❖



Sabbath



Letter "B"

Bible Quiz

1. Who was Joseph's younger brother? Genesis 35:18.

2. Who was the blind man healed by Jesus? Mark 10:46-52.

3. Who was the mother of Solomon? 1 Kings 1:11.

4. What was the name of the pool where Jesus performed many miracles? John 5:2.

5. What strange thing did Moses see in the desert where God talked to him? Exodus 3:2.

Lesson Aim:

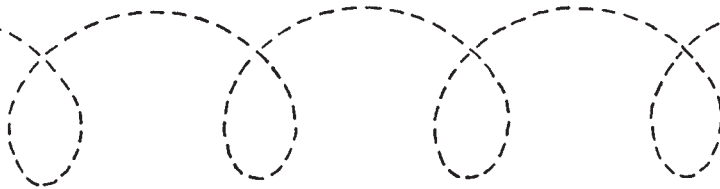
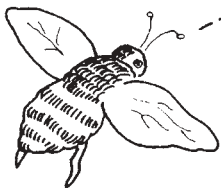
To encourage children to show his/her love for Jesus by being kind and helpful to those in need.

Lesson Objectives for Sabbath

School Teachers:

Tell the story of the Good Samaritan and emphasize the following practical principles:

1. Treat others the way you want to be treated.
2. Be a good Samaritan in your home, church and neighborhood.
3. Look for ways to help others.



Help the bee find the flower.

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Lesson Helps:


Matthew 20:17-19; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 548, 549.

Questions:

1. What did Jesus tell the disciples as they were walking to Jerusalem?
2. Why didn't the disciples want to believe that Jesus would soon be crucified?

How About You:

What are some selfish thoughts that you sometimes think?

 Think of others before yourself.

Parents' Corner:

"The time of the Passover was drawing near, and again Jesus turned toward Jerusalem. In His heart was the peace of perfect oneness with the Father's will, and with eager steps He pressed on toward the place of sacrifice. But a sense of mystery, of doubt and fear, fell upon the disciples. The Saviour 'went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid.'" — *The Desire of Ages*, p. 547.

Two Brothers Who Wanted to Be First

 Sunday

Memory Verse:

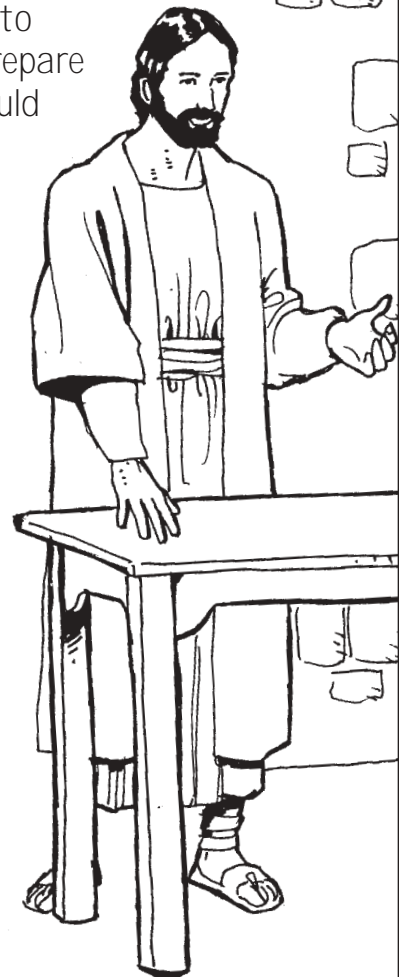
"And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant." Matthew 20:27.

Just Thinking About Themselves

Do you like saying good-bye to people you love? Of course you don't, and neither did Jesus. The time was coming when He would have to leave His disciples and be crucified.

Soon, many sad things were going to happen to Him and His dear friends. Jesus wanted to prepare His disciples for what was coming so they would not be afraid. He told them how wicked priests would take Him and condemn Him to die. Then they would mock Him and beat Him, and at last crucify Him on a cross. But He said, "That will not be the end, for after lying in the grave three days, I will rise again."

The disciples could not understand why anyone would want to kill their loving Jesus. They kept thinking, "That can't be true. Jesus will soon set up His kingdom in Jerusalem and then He will be king. After that, all of us will have very important jobs next to Jesus. Everyone will respect us." How sad Jesus was to see His disciples thinking such selfish thoughts! ❖




 Monday

Two Selfish Brothers

James and John were among the first disciples who came and followed Jesus. Gladly they left their mother and father, their home and friends to be His disciples. Everywhere Jesus went they came along. They walked, talked, ate, and even slept in the same house with Jesus. Often when they were afraid, Jesus would help them be brave. When they were upset, Jesus would make them happy; when they were hurting, He would take away their pain. James and John loved Jesus very much, but John, the youngest brother, loved Jesus the most. Wherever Jesus was standing, John would stand next to Him. If Jesus was sitting, John would lean upon His chest.

The mother of James and John also loved Jesus. She gladly gave Him of her own money. But as any mother who loves her boys, she wanted them to have the best things in life. One day, she told her boys, "Why don't you ask Jesus if you can sit next to Him in His kingdom?" The brothers liked the idea, so they went together with their mother to talk to Jesus.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked them. The mother said, "When you are king, can you give orders that my two boys sit on your right hand and on your left?" What would Jesus tell this mother and two brothers? ❖

Lesson Helps:

Matthew 20:20, 21; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 548, 549.

Questions:

1. Who were James and John?
2. Was it right for their mother to ask the best place for her boys?

How About You:

Do you always want the best food, the biggest cookie, the best toy, or the best seat in Sabbath school?

 Be humble.

Parents' Corner:

"Their mother was a follower of Christ, and had ministered to Him freely of her substance. With a mother's love and ambition for her sons, she coveted for them the most honored place in the new kingdom. For this she encouraged them to make request."
—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 548.



 Tuesday

Lesson Helps:

Matthew 20:22, 23; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 548, 549.

Questions:

1. How did Jesus answer the question of James and John?
2. Why wasn't He upset at them?

How About You:

Are you kind and patient with selfish people like Jesus was?

 Be a peacemaker.

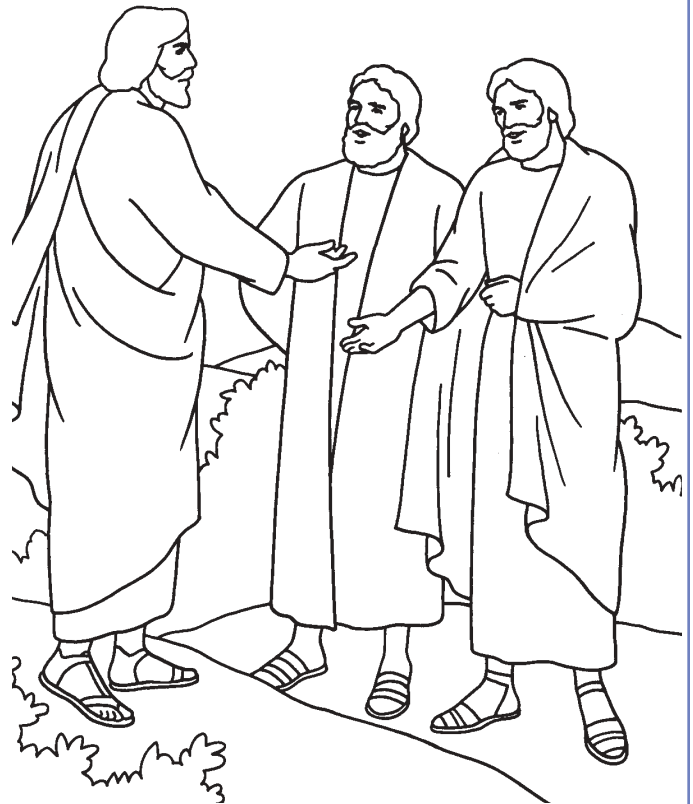
Parents' Corner:

"Jesus bears tenderly with [James and John], not rebuking their selfishness in seeking preference above their brethren. He reads their hearts, He knows the depth of their attachment to Him. Their love is not a mere human affection; though defiled by the earthliness of its human channel, it is an outflowing from the fountain of His own redeeming love. He will not rebuke, but deepen and purify. He said, 'Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They recall His mysterious words, pointing to trial and suffering, yet answer confidently, 'We are able.' They would count it highest honor to prove their loyalty by sharing all that is to befall their Lord." —*The Desire of Ages*, p. 548.

 Tuesday

What would you do if your little brother, sister or friend asked you to give them your favorite toy? Would you say, "No way, you can't have that." Or would you kindly tell them why you couldn't let them have it? Jesus was patient with James and John and their mother. He knew that these two brothers loved Him, but it made Him sad that they were so selfish. Jesus left His beautiful home in heaven to come down to our world to save sinners. He did not pick the nicest place to live. He went where He could do the most good, among the poor and sick. All day long He healed the people and taught them how to be saved. Jesus was so poor that when night came He had no place to sleep unless friends invited Him to their house.

Jesus did not tell James and John, "You are selfish. What makes you think that you are better than the other disciples?" But kindly He said to them, "You don't know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup I am going to drink? Can you be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized?" What Jesus meant was, "Can you suffer and be crucified like me?" The two brothers said, "Yes, we can." Now Jesus said to them, "I will let you suffer with Me, but I cannot let you sit next to Me on My throne. My Father will decide who will share My throne." ❖





Wednesday

The Jealous Ten

Have you ever been jealous of someone who had something better than you? Jealousy is an ugly feeling we must overcome with the help of Jesus. Do you remember who was the first jealous being ever to exist? It was Lucifer. We do not want to be like him. As boys and girls who love Jesus, we want to be unselfish, loving, and kind.

When the other ten disciples heard how James and John wanted to sit next to Jesus on His throne, they were very angry. Do you know why? Because they also wanted to sit next to Him. The ten were so jealous of James and John that they were about to have a big argument with them. But Jesus spoke kindly to them, and said, "The heathens, who don't know God like to boss each other around, but you, my friends, should not do that. If any one of you wants to be the most important, let him be your servant. And whoever wants to be first, let him be your slave. I am the Son of God, and I did not come to be served, but I came to serve others. This is why I want to give my life to save you."

Did you hear that, boys and girls? Jesus was a servant when He lived on this earth. A servant is someone who spends most of his time helping other people. How wonderful that we can serve like Jesus. So when you wake up in the morning, ask Jesus in your

prayer, "How do you want me to serve my mother, father, brother, and sister today?" You can be sure that He will tell you exactly what to do. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Matthew 20:24-28; *The Desire of Ages*, pp. 550, 551.

Questions:

1. Why were the ten disciples angry at James and John?
2. What did Jesus say we should do if others want to be first?

How About You:

Can you think of some ways to be a servant in your home, church, or neighborhood?



Be a servant.

Parents' Corner:

"Children are to be educated to deny themselves. At one time, when I was speaking in Nashville, the Lord gave me light on this matter. It flashed upon me with great force that in every home there should be a self-denial box, and that into this box the children should be taught to put their pennies they would otherwise spend for candy and other unnecessary things.

"You will find that as the children place their pennies in these boxes, they will gain a great blessing. . . . Every member of the family, from the oldest to the youngest, should practice self-denial." —*Child Guidance*, p. 132.

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Lesson Helps:

Child Guidance, pp. 131-133.

Questions:

1. What are some bad manners that Charlie had?
2. How did he show his selfishness?

How About You:

What are some selfish things you have been doing? What are some unselfish things you can do in their place?

 Be polite.

Parents' Corner:

"Many children have inherited selfishness from their parents, but parents should seek to uproot every fiber of this evil tendency from their natures. Christ gave many reproofs to those who were covetous and selfish. Parents should seek, on the first exhibition of selfish traits of character, whether in their presence, or when in association with other children, to restrain and uproot these traits from the character of their children." —*Child Guidance*, p. 132.

Thursday

The Boy With Bad Manners

One afternoon, mother took Charlie with her to visit a friend, Mrs. Jason. As soon as they came inside the house, Charlie went to the living room. Running to the best rocking chair, he began to rock as hard as he could. Mother said, "Charlie, get up and let Mrs. Jason have her chair." Do you think Charlie obeyed his mother? No, indeed he did not. "I don't want to give up this chair," he said. "I want to rock myself." When Mother tried to take him out, he began to scream.

Mrs. Jason invited them to stay for dinner. As soon as they sat at the table, Charlie saw a dish of peaches and bananas on the table, and he began to say loudly, "Mother, I want that big peach. Give me that biggest peach, Mother!"

"No," said his mother. "You should not ask for it. After a while you will get one, but it will not be the biggest." Charlie began to cry aloud, "But I want it now, and I want the biggest one." Do you think that is the polite way

for a boy or girl to act? Boys and girls who love Jesus will never ask for the biggest apple, or the biggest cookie. Neither will they take the best chair in the room and sit in it all the time. Any boy or girl who acts that way is selfish. Children should always give Father and Mother or an older person the best chair. Those who in heaven will sit the nearest to King Jesus will first have to learn to be unselfish while here on this earth. ❖



 Friday

Selfish Anna

Mother was busy trying to finish ironing and the baby was fussing. So she called Anna to come and take care of the baby a little while. Anna was very interested in a book just then, and said: "Yes Mother, I'll be there in a little bit."

A little later, Mother called again. Anna again answered, "Yes Mother, as soon as I finish this page." But Mother had to call a third time before Anna put the book away. And then she did not do it happily. Yet, only that morning she had been calling her baby brother sweet names, and telling him how much she loved him. Now, what made Anna so slow to take care of him when he wasn't feeling well?

Every day Anna would tell her Mother that she loved her, and that she wanted to help her when she was big enough. Why was Anna so slow to obey when Mother needed her help? I will tell you the reason. Anna was selfish. She would rather read her book than to help her tired mother or baby brother. When she at last came to care for her brother, she picked him up with a jerk that made him cry. Mother had to stop her work to quiet him.

Anna was a bad example. She made others sad by being selfish. And if we are selfish, we will be bad examples and make others sad. ❖



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Lesson Aim:

To teach that being the last is the greatest honor for a Christian.

Lesson Objectives for Sabbath School Teachers:

Review the story of James and John and emphasize the following principles:

1. Think of others before yourself.
2. Be humble.
3. Be ready to serve others.



Sabbath

Letter "C"

Bible Quiz

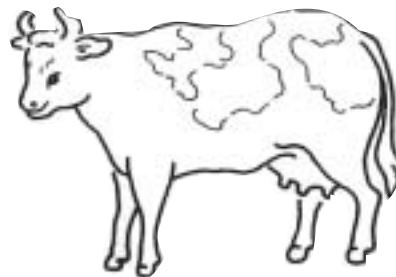
1. Who was the first murderer? Genesis 10:6, 8.

2. What was the occupation of Jesus' earthly father, Joseph? Matthew 13:55.

3. Around the statue of what animal were the Israelites dancing when Moses came down from the mountain? Exodus 32:4.

4. In what was Elijah taken to heaven? 2 Kings 2:11.

5. Who spied out the land of promise with Joshua? Numbers 32:11, 12.



The Supper Nobody Wanted

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 Sunday

Memory Verse:

"Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Luke 14:23.

Guests Coming for Dinner

Have you ever been invited to someone's house for Sabbath lunch? We like to go and eat at our friends' homes, don't we? Jesus also liked to eat lunch with the poor and rich who invited him over. One Sabbath day, a Pharisee asked Jesus to come for lunch with some of his other rich friends. As they were eating, Jesus told His host, "When you make a dinner at your house, don't invite just your family and friends or rich neighbors, for they will invite you back to their house. But when you make a dinner, invite the poor, the crippled, the blind and the old people. Then God will bless you, for these people cannot pay you back. But don't worry, you will be paid back when I come again."

The Pharisee and his friends did not like what Jesus told them. Do you know why? They did not feel like inviting the poor and crippled people. So since they didn't want to listen to Jesus' words, He told them a story about "The Supper Nobody Wanted." ❖

Lesson Helps:


Luke 14:1-14; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 219-221.

Questions:

1. Who invited Jesus for Sabbath lunch? Who else was there?
2. What did Jesus tell the man who invited Him for lunch?

How About You:

Whom do you invite for Sabbath lunch, your friends who can pay you back or anyone who has no place to eat?

 Invite to your house those who can't pay you back.

Parents' Corner:

"In choosing the guests for his feast, the Pharisee had consulted his own selfish interest. Christ said to him, 'When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbors, lest they also bid thee again, and a recompense be made thee.' . . . Christ was here repeating the instruction He had given to Israel through Moses. At their sacred feasts the Lord had directed that 'the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat, and be satisfied.' Deut. 14:29. . . . Being thus taught the joy of true hospitality, the people were throughout the year to care for the bereaved and the poor. . . . God had given the bread of life to them, that they might break it to the world." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 220.



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Lesson Helps:


Luke 14:16-19; *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 222.

Questions:

1. Why did the guests not come to the supper?
2. How hard did the man work to make the big supper for his friends?

How About You:

Do you make excuses when you are caught disobeying Mom or Dad?

 Don't make excuses.

Parents' Corner:

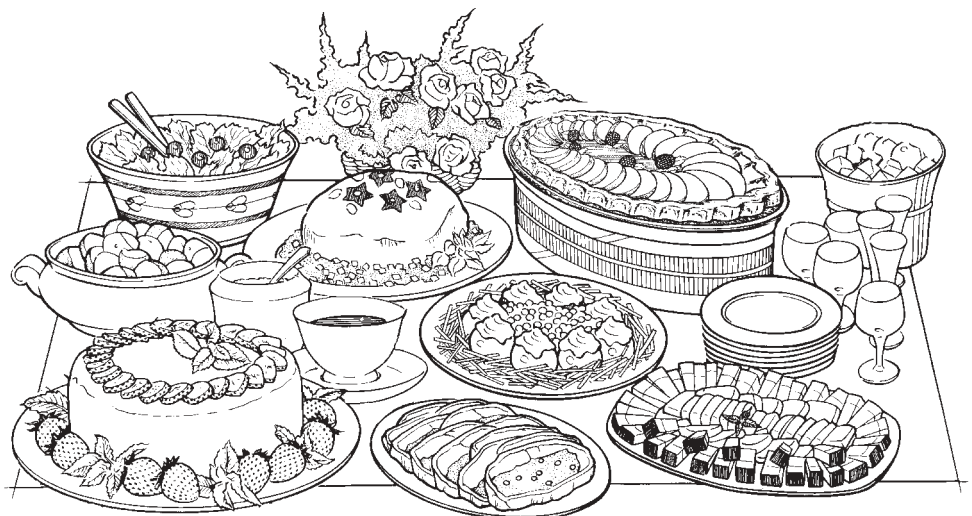
"All the excuses betray a preoccupied mind. To these intended guests other interests had become all-absorbing. The invitation they had pledged themselves to accept was put aside, and the generous friend was insulted by their indifference." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 222.

Monday

The Supper Is Ready

Have you ever helped Mom make lots of food on Friday for a special Sabbath lunch? Maybe you set the table with a special tablecloth, Sabbath plates, and silverware. When Mother put the food on the table, everything looked so beautiful. You were all anxiously waiting for the guests to arrive. But what if the guests never came? You would have been disappointed, wouldn't you?

The story Jesus told at the dinner table was about a man who made a great big supper for his guests. He had spent a lot of money and time to make a big party for them. The servants set the most beautiful table with pretty tablecloths, fine china, silverware, and glasses. We can guess that they had soup, potatoes, beans, vegetables, and the best desserts. When the time came for the dinner to begin, no one came. Just think of that, not even one guest! So the man of the house sent his servant to call the guests at their houses. Knocking at the first door, the servant said, "Come, for all things are now ready." "Sorry, I just bought a piece of land and I must go and see it. Please, excuse me to your master," said the man. The servant went to the next house and said, "Come to the great supper, for all things are now ready." The second guest also had an excuse, "I have just bought five oxen and I need to try them out. Please, have me excused." Excuses, excuses, and what poor excuses! Do you make excuses when you don't feel like doing something? ❖



 Tuesday

No One Wants to Come

How do you think the servant felt after two of the guests said, "No, we cannot come to your master's supper?" He must have been pretty upset, don't you think so? As he knocked on the third door, he must have thought, "I know this one will come for sure." But the third guest said, "Sorry, I just got married and cannot come." The servant went back to his master and reported, "None of your guests want to come to the supper."

How do you think this master felt that no one cared for his invitation to the dinner? He was very upset, for he had worked hard to prepare the supper for his guests. O yes, he was very sad indeed, just like you and I would be if no guests came to the Sabbath lunch we prepared. As the master looked at the big, empty dining room and the good food sitting on the long table, he said to his servant, "Go out quickly into the streets and invite anyone who wants to come to my house for dinner. Bring the poor people, the homeless, the beggars, the blind and those who cannot walk." The servant did as he was told, and soon the house was full of the homeless, beggars, poor children, blind people and even handicapped people. How happy they all were to be invited to such a fancy dinner party. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Luke 14:20-22; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 223-226.

Questions:

1. What did the master of the house do when no one came to his house for dinner?
2. Do you think he did the right thing?

How About You:

What would you do if no one came to your house for dinner after you and Mom had worked so hard to prepare it?



Invite everyone to be saved.

Parents' Corner

"The command given in the parable, to 'compel them to come in,' has often been misinterpreted. It has been regarded as teaching that we should force men to receive the gospel. But it denotes rather the urgency of the invitation, and the effectiveness of the inducements presented. The gospel never employs force in bringing men to Christ. Its message is 'Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters.' Isa. 55:1. 'The Spirit and the bride say, Come. . . . And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.' Rev. 22:17. The power of God's love and grace constrains us to come." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 235.

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Lesson Helps:


John 6:51; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 226-230.

Questions:

1. Why did the servant have to go out and get more guests?
2. Who is the Master of the house that made the feast, and who are the guests?

How About You:

Have you heard the voice of Jesus calling you to come to His feast in heaven? Will you come today?

 Come to the supper that Jesus has prepared for you.

Parents' Corner:

"In the command to go into the highways and hedges, Christ sets forth the work of all whom He calls to minister in His name. The whole world is the field for Christ's ministers. The whole human family is comprised in their congregation. The Lord desires that His word of grace shall be brought home to every soul."
—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 229.

Wednesday Bring More Guests

What a sight that must have been to see people in their dirty street clothes, some barefooted, others with holes in their pants, coming to the rich man's house for dinner. The rich man was glad to have them come, for now his food would not be wasted. Again, the servant came to his master and said, "Master, I did what you told me to do, but we still have some empty seats at the dinner table." Then the master told him, "Go out again in the streets, by the freeways, and on the street corners and ask the people to come. My house must be full of guests, but you can be sure that none of those first guests I invited will eat any of my supper."

Gladly the servant obeyed his master and this time he told the street people, "Please come to a special dinner that my master has made for you." Soon the house was full of the poorest street people. Not a single seat was empty. And how happy these people were to be invited for a special meal.

In this story, Jesus is the good Master who has made a wonderful feast for His people. You have also been invited to that special dinner. Do you know which food Jesus serves at His dinner table? He serves us the "Living Bread" which is salvation. He invites us all to come and be saved. How sad it is that some people don't want to be saved. They would rather be doing their own fun and pleasure. We hope you are one of those guests who has said Yes to Jesus when He invited you to His supper of salvation. ❖





Thursday

Don't Make Excuses

Remember the three people who made excuses in the story? The first man wouldn't come to the supper because he had bought a piece of land. The second one wanted to try out his new oxen, while the last one had just gotten a new wife. Jesus would have been glad to have the man's wife also come to His feast. He wants us to bring our moms and dads, our brothers and sisters to hear about Him and be saved. All three guests in the story did not care to come to the dinner. They just cared about their own things and having a fun time.

What do you think Jesus wants us to learn from this story of the great supper? You probably guessed it. He does not want us to make any excuses about why we can't do this or that. I have heard boys say, "I can't kneel down by my bed at night and pray because I am too tired." Maybe you know some girls who say, "I can't learn my memory verses this week, for I have to play." Other boys and girls have said, "Let's have a quick worship today for I am very hungry." All these are poor excuses that people make because they don't feel like doing what God says. If we keep on making excuses, God will not leave us a place at His table of salvation. Then Jesus will give our place to others who will appreciate it. So don't make any excuses but say, "Lord Jesus, I am coming right now." ❖



Lesson Helps:

Hosea 4:17; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 231-237.

Questions:

1. Do you think that people who make excuses will go to heaven?
2. Why not?

How About You:

What excuses do you make to Jesus, and to Mom, Dad, your brother or sister?



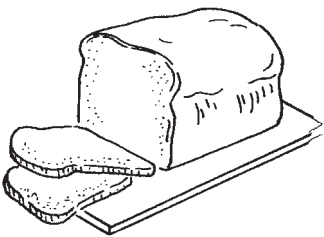
Bring your family and friends to Jesus.

Parents' Corner:

"Christ will impart to His messengers the same yearning love that He Himself has in seeking for the lost. We are not merely to say, 'Come.' There are those who hear the call, but their ears are too dull to take in its meaning. Their eyes are too blind to see anything good in store for them. Many realize their great degradation. They say, I am not fit to be helped; leave me alone. But the workers must not desist. In tender, pitying love, lay hold of the discouraged and helpless ones. Give them your courage, your hope, your strength. By kindness compel them to come. 'Of some have compassion, making a difference; and others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire.' Jude 22, 23." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 235, 236.

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"I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever."
John 6:51.



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Friday

God's Little Bread Man

"I am the Bread of Life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger."

These were the words of the Bible verse that Danny's Sabbath school teacher gave him one day. As soon as she read them to him and his friends, he said, "I like this verse. My daddy's a bread man and he keeps people from getting hungry." Danny could hardly wait to talk to his father after Sabbath school, to show him his new verse.

"That's what you do, don't you, Daddy?" asked Danny after his father had looked at the verse.

"We'll talk about it when we get home, Danny," his father said. "It's time for service to start now." Danny was especially interested in getting home that day, and he and his father talked about the new verse at the dinner table. Daddy explained that the Bread of Life in the verse was Jesus, and that all who kept Him in their heart and loved Him and obeyed His will would always be satisfied.

"Daddy, can't I go along with you sometimes on the bread wagon and give some of these 'Bread of Life' verses to your customers?" he asked after dinner was over.

"Why, son, I think that would be fine," Daddy told him. "You'll be six years old on Wednesday. I'll take you along then." Danny's big sister made typewritten copies of the bread verse on five neat, white cards. What a happy birthday that was for Danny! His father pinned the bread verse on each loaf he carried and let him hand the bread at five different places.

"You don't need to wait for money," Dad had told the boy.

He didn't tell him that he gave this bread free at these places because he knew the people there had little money. Danny found this out later, and he was proud that his daddy was good to the poor. So Danny went along on more trips, and every now and then he took a bread verse along with the bread he delivered.

One day when they came to a big house where a rich lady lived, Danny said, "I want to take a 'bread verse' in there, Daddy." "All right, Danny, you may do so," his father told him. So, along with the basket of bread and cakes he took one of the bread verses. And this time the rich lady herself came to the door and thanked Danny, telling him she thought it was fine for him to help his father. This pleased Danny very much.

But imagine both Daddy's and Danny's surprise to see this lady at church on the next Sabbath. Daddy knew that she hadn't been there for a good many years. He and Danny were glad to learn later that it was Danny's "bread verse" that won her back to the church. Although rich in money and what money can buy, she had been hungry for bread for her soul, and Danny's verse turned out to be that kind of bread. Much other good came from Danny's giving Bible verses of different kinds to people on the bread route. "Daddy, I'm glad to be a 'Bread of Life' bread man," Danny told him often.



Sabbath

Letter "D"

Bible Quiz

1. Who was cast into a den of lions? Daniel 6:16.

2. Who was the second king of Israel? 2 Samuel 2:4.

3. What did Daniel interpret for King Nebuchadnezzar?
Daniel 5:12.

4. What were the followers of Christ called? Matthew 10:1.

5. What informed Noah that the water had gone down
after the flood? Genesis 8:8-12.

Lesson Aim:

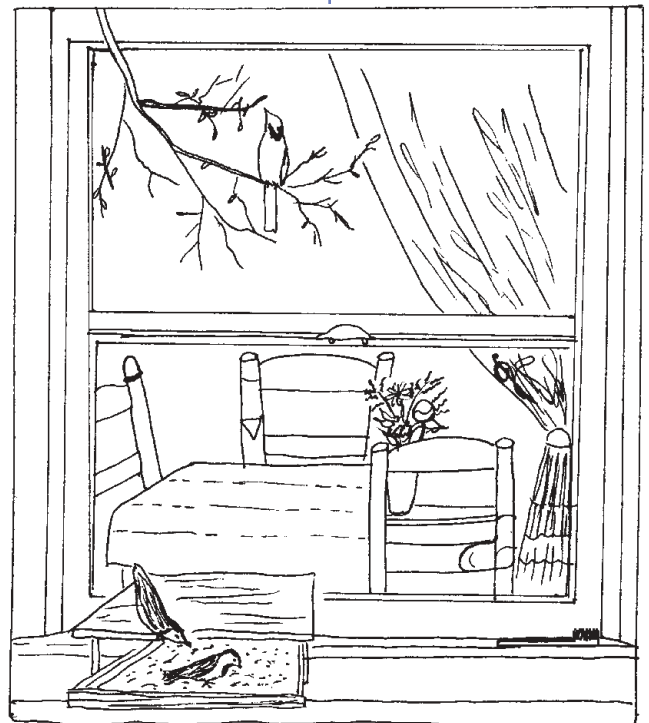
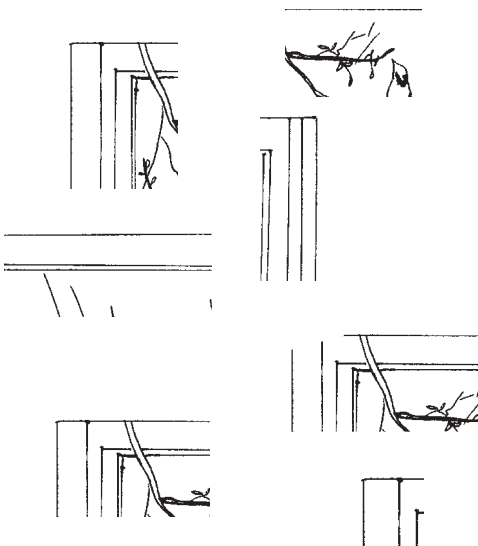
To help children accept Christ's offer of eternal life and to teach them to give invitation to others.

Lesson Objectives For Sabbath School Teachers:

Review the lesson of the supper and teach the following practical principles:

1. Be hospitable especially to those who can't pay you back.
2. Invite your relatives, friends, and neighbors to follow Jesus.
3. Come to the supper Jesus has prepared for you. Don't make excuses.

Find the objects in the picture



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Lesson Helps:


Luke 15:1; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 185, 186.

Questions:

1. What kind of people came to listen to Jesus?
2. Why were the priests and Pharisees making fun of Jesus?

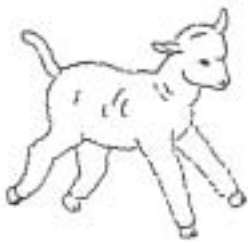
How About You:

Do you feel that you are better than other boys and girls who don't go to church or obey the commandments?

 Be humble and say with Paul, "I am the chief of sinners."

Parents' Corner:

"As the 'publicans and sinners' gathered about Christ, the rabbis expressed their displeasure. 'This man receiveth sinners,' they said, 'and eateth with them.' " — *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 185.



Finding the Lost

 Sunday

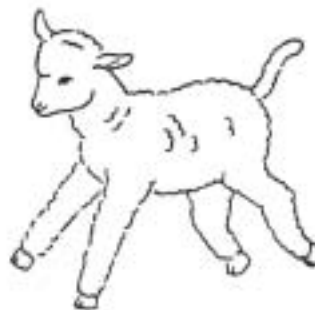
Memory Verse:

"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." Luke 15:10.

Jesus the Friend of Sinners

Have you ever been lost? Maybe you were lost in a store when Mom went shopping or in the woods when you went camping. How did you feel? Scared? Jesus understands all about lost people and lost things. Many of the people who came to listen to Him preaching were lost in sin. Some of these men and women, were thieves, liars, cheaters, and even murderers. Do you know why they came to hear Jesus? Because He told them how much God loved them and wanted to forgive them their sins. As they listened to Jesus they wanted to live better lives. They were so happy when Jesus showed them how.

While Jesus was showing love and kindness to lost sinners, the priests and Pharisees were upset. They made fun of Him saying, "Look at this man, He is a friend of sinners. He even eats with them." Jesus did not argue with these proud, selfish men. He just told them two stories, which showed that God loves sinners as much as He loves the obedient ones. No matter how good we think we are, we should never feel that we are better than boys and girls who don't know Jesus. This is how the proud Pharisees felt. We need to be humble like the apostle Paul and say with him, "I am the biggest sinner." ❖



 Monday

The Lost Sheep

As Jesus was telling the story of the Lost Sheep, you could see on the hills hundreds of grazing sheep. Jesus asked the people, "If you had one hundred sheep, and one got lost, wouldn't you leave the ninety and nine and go and find the lost one?" Everyone agreed that they would go looking for that lost sheep. The shepherds who were listening to Jesus knew how much they loved their sheep. If one of them got lost, they would not say, "I have ninety and nine. I am too busy to look for that one sheep now. Besides, it's his own fault that he got lost." A loving shepherd becomes very upset when even one of his sheep gets lost. Again and again he counts his flock thinking, "Maybe I made a mistake." When he is sure that one of his little sheep is lost, he leaves the ninety and nine and goes out to search for it. The night may be dark and stormy, but he hurries along, never stopping to rest. Far into the night, he hears a faint cry, "Baa, baa, baa." Following the sound, he climbs the steep hills. At last he finds his lost sheep next to a dangerous cliff. It is stuck in a thorn bush, bleeding and ready to die.

What do you think the shepherd does when he finds his sheep? Does he get mad at it? Does he hit it with his staff? What would you have done if your dog was lost and you found him at last? ❖



Lesson Helps:


Christ's Object Lessons, pp. 186-188.

Questions:

1. What story did Jesus tell the people?
2. What does a loving shepherd do when one sheep gets lost?

How About You:

Have you ever lost a dog, cat or bird? What did you do?

 Help Jesus find lost people.

Parents' Corner:

The shepherd does not say, "Let him come back, and I will open the door of the sheepfold, and let him in." No; no sooner does the sheep go astray than the shepherd is filled with grief and anxiety. He counts and recounts the flock. When he is sure that one sheep is lost, he slumbers not. He leaves the ninety and nine within the fold, and goes in search of the straying sheep. The darker and more tempestuous the night and the more perilous the way, the greater is the shepherd's anxiety and the more earnest his search. He makes every effort to find that one lost sheep."
—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 188.

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Lesson Helps:


Isaiah 53:6; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 189-192.

Questions:

1. What does the shepherd do with the lost sheep after he finds it?
2. Who is our Shepherd and how does He treat us when He finds us lost in sin?

How About You:

Have you ever wandered from the fold of our loving Shepherd?

 If you are a lost little sheep, go back to Jesus.

Parents' Corner:

"Desponding soul, take courage, even though you have done wickedly. Do not think that *perhaps* God will pardon your transgressions and permit you to come into His presence. God has made the first advance. While you were in rebellion against Him, He went forth to seek you. With the tender heart of the shepherd He left the ninety and nine and went out into the wilderness to find that which was lost. The soul, bruised and wounded and ready to perish, He encircles in His arms of love and joyfully bears it to the fold of safety." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 188, 189.

Tuesday

Our Lost World

What did the shepherd do with the sheep that caused him so much trouble? He did not scold it. No, he did not whip it. He did not even try to lead it home. Lovingly, but gently he picked up the trembling sheep. Pressing it close to his heart, he kept it warm and so carried it home. Although the road was rough and the night was dark and stormy, the shepherd was happy, for he had found his lost sheep. Aren't you glad that this story has such a beautiful ending? We would be very sad if the shepherd came home without his sheep, wouldn't we?

Do you know who is the shepherd? Who are the 99 sheep, and who is the one lost sheep? Jesus is the Good Shepherd who had many worlds in heaven. One of these worlds was our world. When Adam and Eve disobeyed God, our world became lost like the sheep in the story. So, Jesus left His ninety and nine perfect worlds that have never sinned. He left His perfect home in heaven, and came to this sinful earth to take the punishment for all those times we have gone our own way. He came to save us from the pit of sin. The Bible says, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one to his own way." You and I have gone our own way by doing wrong things, by being selfish, impatient and unkind. We do wrong things because we were born with a "want to have" our own way. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, wants to save us from being lost in sin. Will you let Him? Will you ask Him to take you back home to His sheepfold in heaven? ❖





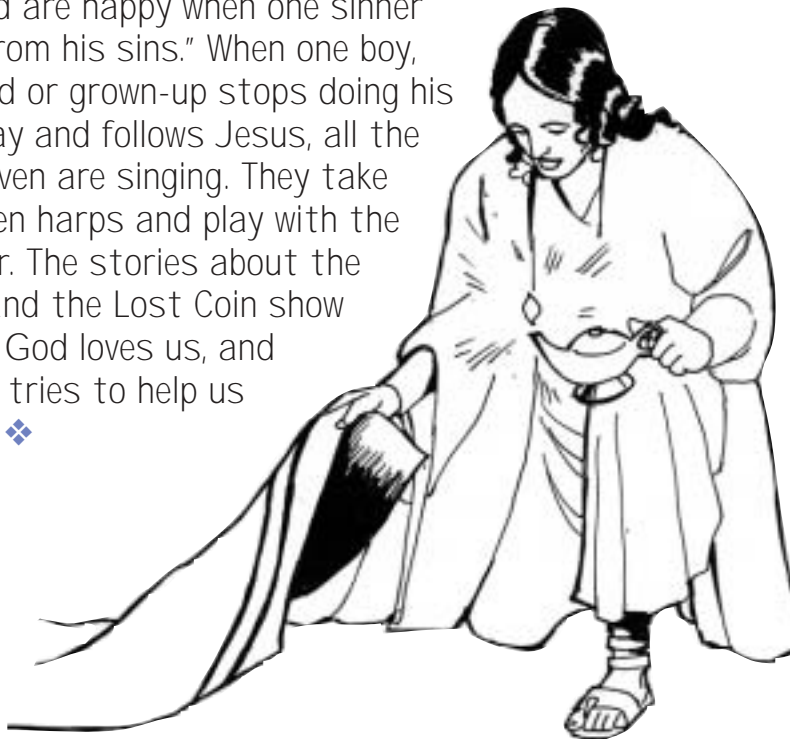
Thursday

The Lost Coin

Have you ever lost something very precious? Maybe you lost a very special toy or book or even your *Sabbath Bible Lesson*? You searched in the closet, under the bed, on the bookshelf, but could not find it. At last, you prayed about it and with the help of Jesus you found it right away. After Jesus told the parable of the Lost Sheep, He then told another story about the Lost Coin.

Once there was a woman who had ten pieces of silver, but she lost one of them. In Jesus' days a silver coin was worth a lot of money. You could buy lots of things with just one silver coin. The woman was very upset for losing the coin, because her father had given it to her long ago. Since her house was dark without any windows, she had a hard time finding it. So, she lit a candle and went searching all over the house. She looked in the cabinets, on the table, in her pockets and even under the rug, but no coin. At last, after sweeping the whole house she found the precious coin. Do you remember how happy and thankful you feel after finding something you lost? This woman was so happy that she called all her friends and neighbors and said, "Come and be happy with me, for I have found my lost coin."

Jesus finished this story by saying, "In the same way, the angels of God are happy when one sinner turns away from his sins." When one boy, girl, Mom, Dad or grown-up stops doing his or her own way and follows Jesus, all the angels in heaven are singing. They take up their golden harps and play with the heavenly choir. The stories about the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin show us how much God loves us, and how much He tries to help us love Him too. ❖



Lesson Helps:


Luke 15:8-10; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 192-197.

Questions:

1. What did the woman lose? How hard did she look to find what she had lost?
2. What did she do after she found the lost coin?

How About You:

When you lose something, do you look for it till you find it? If you were lost in the woods would you want someone to look for you until you were found? Do you remember to thank Jesus when you find your lost things?

 Be happy with the angels when someone gives their heart to Jesus.

Parents' Corner:

"The woman in the parable searches diligently for her lost coin. She lights the candle and sweeps the house. She removes everything that might obstruct her search. Though only one piece is lost, she will not cease her efforts until that piece is found. So in the family if one member is lost to God every means should be used for his recovery. On the part of all the others let there be diligent, careful self-examination. Let the life-practice be investigated. See if there is not some mistake, some error in management, by which that soul is confirmed in impenitence." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 194.

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"All we like
sheep have gone
astray; we have
turned every one
to his own way;
and the Lord
hath laid on him
the iniquity of us
all." Isaiah 53:6.



Sunset today is
at _____

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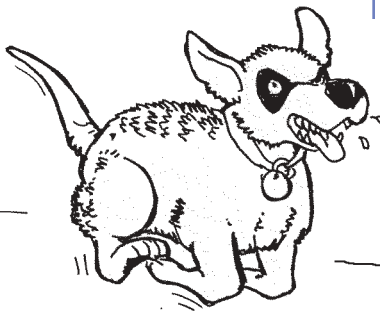
Stacy Is Lost

Stacy started walking down the sidewalk. Mommy was very busy, so Stacy decided she'd go to the park and play for a little while. "I'll get back before Mother misses me. Mother thinks I am not old enough to go to the park alone. That is silly!" she thought.

After turning a corner, Stacy heard a dog barking behind her. She was scared of dogs, and began to run blindly. At last she didn't hear the dog anymore, so she stopped. "Oh no! This isn't the park!" she exclaimed. "Where is the park? It has to be here somewhere," she thought.

Ten blocks and 20 minutes later, Stacy sat on the curb with tears in her eyes. "Mommy is too busy to care if I'm missing. No one will even notice I'm gone!" she cried. When she looked up she saw a familiar-looking car! Mother was coming to her rescue!

In the same way, Jesus comes looking for us even when He is busy. We might think we know what is good for us, and accidentally get lost from Jesus with no way back. But He will always come looking for His lost ones. ❖





Sabbath

Letter "E"

Bible Quiz

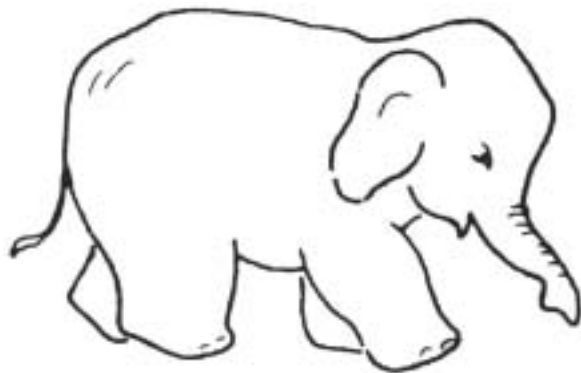
1. Who was fed by ravens? 1 Kings 17:2-7.

2. Who taught Samuel? 1 Samuel 3:1.

3. Who was the first woman? Genesis 2:21.

4. Who was the brother of Jacob? Genesis 25:27.

5. What was the name of the first garden? Genesis 2:15.



Lesson Aim:

To teach that Jesus gives His love and forgiveness to those who are lost in sin.

Lesson Objectives For Sabbath School Teachers:

Review the stories of the Lost Sheep and Lost Coin and emphasize the following practical principles:

1. Acknowledge that you are a lost little sheep.
2. Help Jesus find people lost in sin.
3. Be happy with Jesus and the angels when someone gives their heart to Jesus.



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The Lost Boy

Lesson Helps:


Luke 15:11, 12: *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 198, 199.

Questions:

1. Why did the younger son want to run away from home?
2. What did the father tell him when he asked for his inheritance?

How About You:

Are you honoring and respecting your parents? What does it mean to honor and respect Mom and Dad?

 Honor and obey your parents.

Parents' Corner:

"The youth acknowledges no obligation to his father, and expresses no gratitude; yet he claims the privilege of a child in sharing his father's goods. The inheritance that would fall to him at his father's death he desires to receive now. He is bent on present enjoyment, and cares not for the future.

"Having obtained his patrimony, he goes into 'a far country,' away from his father's home. With money in plenty, and liberty to do as he likes, he flatters himself that the desire of his heart is reached. There is no one to say, Do not do this, for it will be an injury to yourself; or, Do this, because it is right. Evil companions help him to plunge ever deeper into sin, and he wastes his 'substance with riotous living.' " —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 199.

Sunday

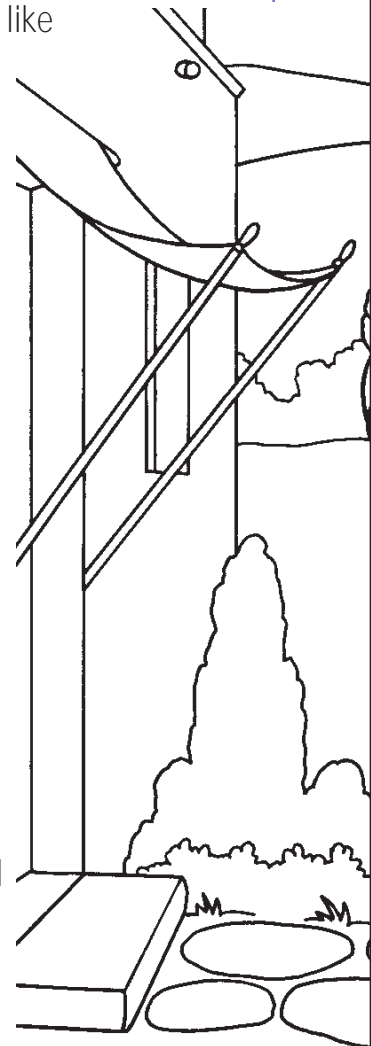
Memory Verse:

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9.

An Unthankful Boy

Are you thankful for your mom and dad? Are you thankful for the good food Mom makes, and for Dad who works hard to pay for your house and food? We are sure you are thankful for your parents. Our story today is about a boy who was not thankful to his dad for all the good things he gave to him. One day, he started thinking evil thoughts like these, "I am going to run away from home! I don't like living here. Dad is always telling me what to do. I have to make my bed, do school work and farm work. My big brother is always bossing me around. I am tired of all this."

This boy had a kind, rich father, and he lived in a big, lovely house with his brother and many servants. He also must have had a mother, but we don't know anything about her. The father loved his two sons dearly. One day, the younger brother made his father very sad by telling him, "Dad, I do not want to stay home any longer. Give me my share of money so I can go away." This boy did not have a right to his father's money while his dad was still alive; yet, the father gave him his share. O how the father wished his younger boy would stay at home and be happy! Although he was very sad to see his boy leave home, the father did not stop him. He gave him the inheritance and hoped that he would be good and do what is right. ❖



 Monday

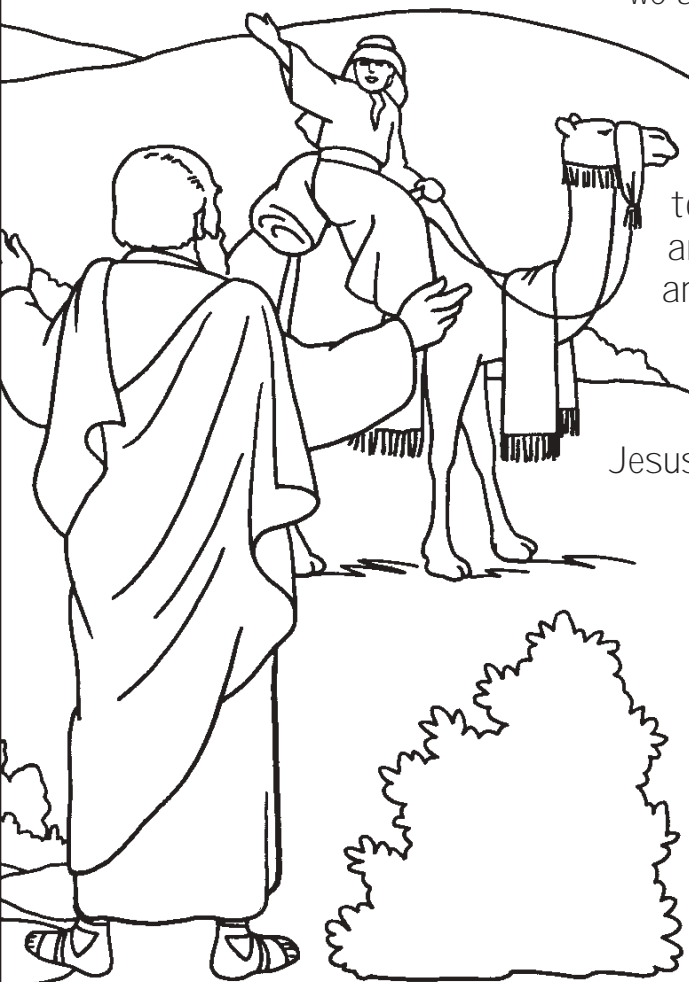
The Boy Leaves Home

What do you think the selfish boy did after he got his inheritance? He went far away from home to another country. Do you know why? He didn't want his father to know where he was or what he was doing. Now that he had plenty of money, he found many new friends who were happy to help him spend it. This selfish boy made parties for his friends and bought them many presents. Together they were eating and drinking, and doing many wrong things.

Since this boy was lazy, he did not work and save his money. One day, there was a big famine in the land and there was no food. Soon after, his money ran out, and he had nothing to eat. Do you know what happened to his friends? They left him, because now he was a poor man. What fake friends they were! True friends stay with us whether we are rich or poor, whether we are sick or healthy.

If you could have seen this runaway boy now, you would have seen how bad he looked. His clothes were torn and his face looked thin and pale. He was feeling lonely and missing his father.

The story of the Lost Boy is about each one of us when we run away from Jesus, and go our own way. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Luke 15:13, 14; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 200, 201.

Questions:

1. What did the boy do after he left home?
2. Why did his friends leave him?

How About You:

Are you friendly only with the rich or pretty children? Or are you friends with everyone no matter if he or she is rich or poor, black or white, pretty or not so pretty?



Be a friend at all times.

Parents' Corner:

"What a picture here of the sinner's state! Although surrounded with the blessings of His love, there is nothing that the sinner, bent on self-indulgence and sinful pleasure, desires so much as separation from God. Like the ungrateful son, he claims the good things of God as his by right. He takes them as a matter of course, and makes no return of gratitude, renders no service of love. As Cain went out from the presence of the Lord to seek his home; as the prodigal wandered into the 'far country'; so do sinners seek happiness in forgetfulness of God." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 200.

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Lesson Helps:


Luke 15:15-19; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 201, 202.

Questions:

1. What kind of job did the boy get?
2. What made him want to go back to his father?

How About You:

When you disobey Mom or Dad, do you go back and ask their forgiveness?

 Ask Jesus to forgive you when you are bad.

Parents' Corner:

"The love of God still yearns over the one who has chosen to separate from Him, and He sets in operation influences to bring him back to the Father's house. The prodigal son in his wretchedness 'came to himself.' The deceptive power that Satan had exercised over him was broken. He saw that his suffering was the result of his own folly, and he said, 'How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father.' Miserable as he was, the prodigal found hope in the conviction of his father's love. It was that love which was drawing him toward home. So it is the assurance of God's love that constrains the sinner to return to God." — *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 202.

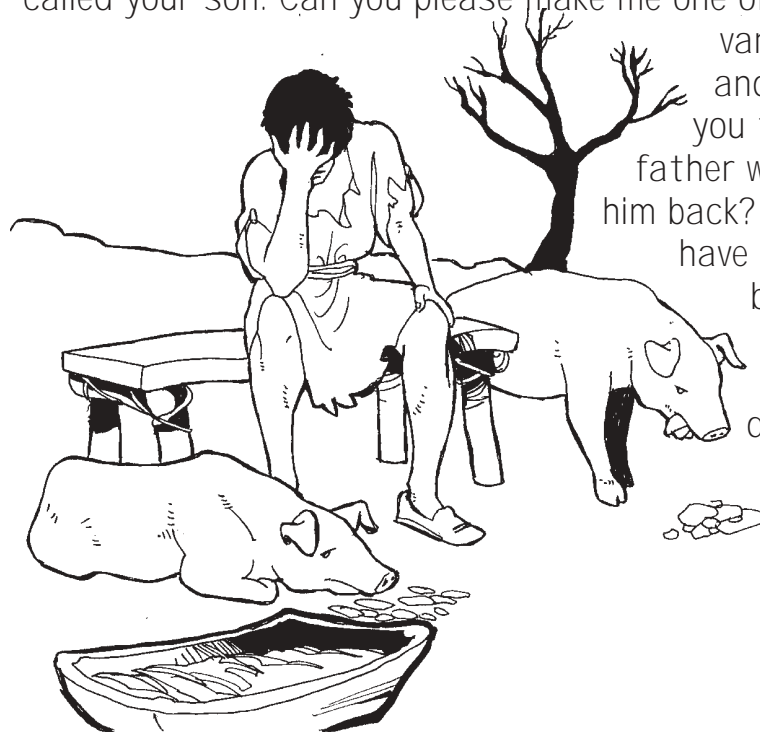
Tuesday

Pigs for Friends

Far away from home, with no friends, no food, no bed, and no money was this lost boy now. O, how sad and lonely he was for home! One day, he decided, "I had better find some work or I am going to die of hunger." So, he found a job taking care of pigs. While watching the pigs one day, he was sitting on the ground, wishing to fill himself with the husks the pigs were eating. He remembered his father's home so far away. He thought of his kind father and the happy times he used to have with his brother. Thinking out loud, he said, "Why, even the servants in my father's house are living better than I. They have good food to eat, clean clothes to wear and a place to sleep." As he looked at his dirty, ragged clothes and heard his growling stomach he said, "And look at me. I am here starving to death."

Oh, how sorry he was for running away from home and for hurting his loving father. Yes, he was very sorry for doing all the wicked things with his friends, and for being such a foolish son. But at last he makes the right choice and says, "I will go to my father and say, 'I have sinned against God and against you. I am no more worthy to be called your son. Can you please make me one of your ser-

vants?' " Boys and girls, do you think his father would take him back? Would you have taken him back after all the bad things he did? ❖





Wednesday

The Long Walk Home

Have you ever been so hungry that you couldn't stand up and walk? If so, you know how terrible you felt. The lost boy was so hungry that he could barely walk from weakness. Yet, he turns his back to the pigs, and starts the long walk home. He had been starving for many days, but he hurries home as fast as he can. As he looks at his coat he sees big holes everywhere. But he doesn't care what the neighbors will say when they see him. Remember how proud and unthankful he was as he was leaving home? Now he is humble and very sorry for his sins. While he is walking, he does not know that someone is waiting for him far away. Every day, his father has been watching the road, thinking, "Maybe today my lost boy will come home." On that special day, as the father looked far away, he saw a man walking toward him. The man has ragged clothes and a skinny face. Coming closer, the father recognized his son and said, "This is my lost boy." So he ran with outstretched arms to meet him.

What do you think the father did say to his boy? Did he say, "You bad boy, why did you run away from home? Where's all the money I gave you? Couldn't you buy some new clothes?" Oh no, this father was not angry at his boy. He never told him one unkind word. But when he saw him, he hugged him and kissed him. I can almost hear him say, "My son, I am so glad you are coming home. Since the day you left, I have been coming to look for you on this highway." What a kind and loving father this was! We hope that you also have such a loving Dad who is kind to you when you are good or bad. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Luke 15:20; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 202, 203.

Questions:

1. Who was waiting for the lost boy at the end of the road?
2. What did the father do as he saw his boy coming home?

How About You:

Do you love your brother when he is good or bad to you?



Love others whether they are good or bad.

Parents' Corner:

"Little did the gay, thoughtless youth, as he went out from his father's gate, dream of the ache and longing left in that father's heart. When he danced and feasted with his wild companions, little did he think of the shadow that had fallen on his home. And now as with weary and painful steps he pursues the homeward way, he knows not that one is watching for his return. But while he is yet 'a great way off' the father discerns his form. Love is of quick sight. Not even the degradation of the years of sin can conceal the son from the father's eyes. He 'had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck' in a long, clinging, tender embrace." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 203.

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Lesson Helps:


Luke 15:22-24; Micah 7:19;
Psalm 103:1-3, 8-13; *Christ's
Object Lessons*, pp. 204-
206.

Questions:

1. Why did the father put his own coat on his boy?
2. How did his family welcome the lost boy?
3. How does God welcome us when we are sorry for our sins?

How About You:

Do you ask God to forgive you when you run away from Him?

 Stop running away from God.

Parents' Corner:

"What assurance here, of God's willingness to receive the repenting sinner! Have you, reader, chosen your own way? Have you wandered far from God? Have you sought to feast upon the fruits of transgression, only to find them turn to ashes upon your lips? And now, your substance spent, your life-plans thwarted, and your hopes dead, do you sit alone and desolate? Now that voice which has long been speaking to your heart but to which you would not listen comes to you distinct and clear, 'Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest; because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.' Micah 2:10. Return to your Father's house. He invites you, saying, 'Return unto Me; for I have redeemed thee.' Isa. 44:22."
—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 205.

Thursday

Welcome Home Party

What would you do if your little brother was wearing a shirt with big holes and pants that had mud all over it? If you had an extra shirt, wouldn't you take it off and cover him so others wouldn't make fun of him? The loving father in this story did not want the neighbors to make fun of his son. So, he took off his own beautiful robe and wrapped it around his boy. Now, no one would see his rags. The lost son now cries with bitter tears, "O Father, I have disobeyed God and you, and am no longer worthy to be called your son." The father forgives his son and arm-in-arm they walk back home together.

When they get there, the father gives his son the best room in the house. He tells his servants, "Bring him the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. Make a big party for him, and let us eat and drink and be happy, for my son was dead, and now he is alive again. He was lost and now he is found!"

What a kind and loving father! What a patient and good father! Dear boys and girls, the loving Father in this story is our God. All of us have been rebellious and unthankful children like the boy in this story. We have run away from God and done evil. We have sinned against Him and chosen our own way. While we were bad, God was sad. Every day He waited for us to come back to Him. When at last we felt miserable about doing evil, we did come back to Him. He didn't tell us, "You are a bad boy" or "You are a bad girl" but He forgave us our sins. The Bible tells us, He throws them into the middle of the sea. What a great heavenly Father we have. When you are disobedient go back to God and say, "I am sorry for being bad. Please, forgive me and make me your son or daughter." He will forgive you and make you His child. ❖

 Friday

The Jealous Brother

If your brother was lost or had run away, how would you feel if he came back home one day? You would be so happy, wouldn't you? Maybe you would call your neighbors and say, "My brother is back. Come and see him." Do you know how the older brother in our story felt when his little brother came back? He was working on his father's farm that day, and as he came near home, he heard music and singing. "What is all this singing and noise about?" he asked a servant. The servant told him, "Your brother has come back home and your father has made a big 'welcome home' party for him."

The older brother was so angry that he would not even go inside the house. He was jealous that his father had made a party for his brother who had been such a bad boy. When the father came outside, the older son told him, "I have been with you all these years. Never did I disobey you, and yet, you never made a party for me. You never invited our neighbors and friends for me. But as soon as my little, bad brother came back, you made a big dinner for him. It's not fair."

What did the father tell his jealous, older boy? Lovingly he said, "My son, you have always been with me, and everything I have is yours. But your younger brother was dead and now he is alive. He was lost and now he is found."

Whether the older brother felt sorry for being angry at his father and jealous of his brother, we do not know. But we do know that if he did not ask God to take away his anger and jealousy he will not be saved. So boys and girls, ask Jesus to help you be kind to your brothers and sisters and never be jealous of them. ❖



Lesson Helps:

Luke 15:25-32; *Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 207-211.

Questions:

1. Why was the older brother angry when he came home?
2. What did his father tell him?

How About You:

Are you jealous of your brother or sister? Why is it wrong to be jealous?

 Overcome jealousy.

Parents' Corner:

"Self-righteousness not only leads men to misrepresent God, but makes them coldhearted and critical toward their brethren. The elder son, in his selfishness and jealousy, stood ready to watch his brother, to criticize every action, and to accuse him for the least deficiency. He would detect every mistake, and make the most of every wrong act. Thus he would seek to justify his own unforgiving spirit. Many today are doing the same thing. While the soul is making its very first struggles against a flood of temptations, they stand by, stubborn, self-willed, complaining, accusing. They may claim to be children of God, but they are acting out the spirit of Satan. By their attitude toward their brethren, these accusers place themselves where God cannot give them the light of His countenance." —*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 210.

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Sabbath

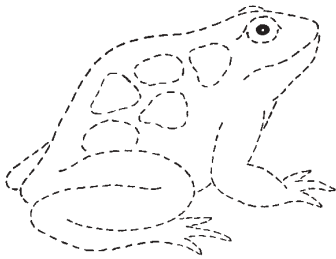
Lesson Aim:

To teach that Jesus forgives us when we repent and confess our sins.

Lesson Objectives for Sabbath School Teachers:

Review story of the prodigal son and teach the following practical principles.

1. Ask Jesus to forgive you as soon as you've been bad.
2. Love others whether they are good or bad.
3. Overcome jealousy.



Trace me.

Letter "F"

Bible Quiz

1. How many days and nights did it rain during the flood?
Genesis 7:12.

2. Into what were the friends of Daniel cast? Daniel 3:23.

3. What happened when it rained for the first time?
Genesis 7:7.

4. What was the third gift for baby Jesus besides the gold and myrrh? Matthew 2:11.

5. What did Joseph warn would happen in Egypt?
Genesis 41:28-31.



The Forest

Memory Verses To Remember

- 1. "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Luke 12:34.
- 2. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself." Luke 10:27.
- 3. "And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant." Matthew 20:27.
- 4. "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Luke 14:23.
- 5. "Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." Luke 15:10.
- 6. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9.
- 7. "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" Psalm 107:15.
- 8. "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." John 11:25.
- 9. "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke 18:16.
- 10. "If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." Matthew 19:17.
- 11. "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10.
- 12. "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way." Matthew 20:4.
- 13. "We love him, because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19.