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## PRAISE THE LORD

The wisdom of man has led him to his end; because, he does not also possess the wisdom of God. No man has any wisdom but that which is of the world, unless he hears God, for the Bible tells us the wisdom of God is the fear of God---not afraid of Him as you would be afraid of a tyrant, but fear that you would do something to displease Him.

God loves you, and because He loves you, He is long-suffering toward you. He is not willing that you perish, but after you've played the fool, He wants you to come to the knowledge of the truth. He wants you to understand and because He does, He fills the heart of another and sends that one to you in some way or other. But if you keep on hardening your heart, you will be destroyed suddenly, and that without remedy: not because of the fact that God wants to destroy you, but because your deeds lead to destruction. If you don't want to be saved, God doesn't want you to cause everyone else to be lost. And you can kick up so much dust when you're going wrong, if God doesn't stop you, you will get the devil in everyone that is around you, unless they pray without ceasing.

You may ask, why are people inclined to go wrong rather than right? You were born wrong, and 99 per cent of the people haven't been born again, although they are in the church singing and shouting. The only time you're born again is when you live above sin. You may ask, how will I know when I am living above sin? You love everyone. And love to work no ill. You have no evil thought, no evil imagination, no condemnation. Love can't condemn. Love always looks for the best that's in you. And though devils come to you and try to show you everything against that which you love, you take the road that the Lord took, and suffer a little rather than do wrong. So, brother, sister, I'm telling you this, that I want you not to forget; and that is, as long as you try to sing the praises of God, and are not living right, you're mocking Him. But my somber warning is He can't be mocked. Instead of mocking God, you're mocking yourself. To try to mock God, is to fool yourself.

God created us to praise Him. And He wants us to praise Him because it is all that we can do for Him. There's nothing we can do for God, other than praise Him. And therefore that men and women might glorify or praise Him, there's nothing that God has left undone to reward us. If we are unhappy today, it is because of our way of thinking. Regardless of who you are, you must reap what you sow. If you've been born again, if you've done all you know how to do, you must reap what you've sown. The things that come to you in life are yours. Your judgment may not be perfect, but God's is, and He'll not let you reap what you haven't sown. You might say, why did Jesus suffer? He didn't do any evil but what did He do? He took the part of those who did evil. He took the part of a sinner, and because He took His part, He had to suffer, and die like a sinner, and be treated like a sinner deserved to be treated, that you and I might escape the pangs of death. Not only escape the pangs of death, but your burden and my burden might be lightened when we suffer for the sins we have committed. For when you begin to suffer for the sins you have committed, the load gets heavy and unless you go with God, you can't make it.

And so God's wisdom surpasses yours and mine; therefore, never charge God foolishly. Never ask God, why is this, or why is the other. If your hands are clean, if your heart is pure, whatever comes to you, is what His love allows. Sometimes it gets awfully heavy and

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It would be better that we had not been born than that we die without hope of eternal life.

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A life for a life! You give your life for Christ, as He gave His for you.

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If you have more knowledge than the other fellow, God gave it to you that you might help the other fellow, not take advantage of him.

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Jealousy is a terrible thing. The devil uses it to keep you upset.

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When God takes His hand of protection from you, your judgment turns backward, and you'll love that which destroys you.

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You must get to the point where you can boldly say to the devil, "I am not interested," when he comes to you.

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In the Church of God, we don't want the spirit of liberty to die, nor the spirit of hypocrisy to live.

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It is wonderful to have hope beyond this life.

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The Holy Spirit brings condemnation to the sinner and joy to the righteous.

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The Church is the light of the world. Don't let the bulb get so sooty that the world won't be able to see the light.

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Be a reflector and reflect the light of Jesus throughout the world.

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You are wasting your time if you are not making secure your chance to have eternal life.

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# The "Happy Am I" Radio Preacher's Message

## PRAISE THE LORD

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burdens you down, but just steady yourself and get your equilibrium. And when you get your equilibrium, get up and say, God, I thank you.

Your ways seem right to you always, you're never wrong in your eyes. So brother, sister, the wisdom of God is finer than ours, nevertheless every man and woman that is born into the world is born unto trouble. You can't escape it. The Bible tells us, that Jesus Christ was a Man acquainted with grief and trouble, and everyone of us before we can find out where God is has got to have trouble. The time you look for help is when you're in trouble and there's one trouble that no one can help you out of, and that's when your load of sin is bearing down on you so heavy until you turn to the right and left and you can't find any consolation. And at that time, you'll be like Abraham of old and you'll look up and wonder if there is a God. And you'll get an answer, because God wants to reveal Himself to you.

Today if you have any breath, don't use it to damn or curse your brother or your sister. Use it to praise God. There is something you can praise Him for every time you turn around. You can praise Him for the breeze. Everything is beautiful when your eye becomes single, but nevertheless God will suffer you to be tried. The Lord hath declared that the trying of your faith in Him is more precious than gold.

If you don't see God you'll question Him. And you will ask Him, Lord, why is it if I've done the thing I know and the best I know, that this comes? Lord, I've given my service to you and I'm trying to help others, why is it the one I help does me the worse. When I do all I know, why am I hated without a cause? If you don't understand God, you'll ask those questions.

It was God who said to the devil, "Job is a righteous man." Job was perfect that's what He said in Job 1:6 **"Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them."**

Job knew his hands were clean when the devil began to work on him, and in his own mind, he questioned God, who knoweth the hearts of men. Job, because he questioned God, was chastened the more, nevertheless Job never charged God foolishly; but he questioned him. You have no right as clay to question the potter. You have no right to argue with your Maker. So Job went down to the lowest hell in suffering, but God kept His hand open, and at the end of his suffering, the Lord said to those who had professed to be friends of Job, who tried to condemn him; Job, My servant, you'll have to pray for them, but before He said that, He said to Job one morning, "Who are you that you question Me? Where were you when I laid the foundation of the world? Where were you when I hung out the stars, sun and moon."

After He had completed His



Elder Lightfoot Solomon Michaux,  
founder

conversation with Job, Job bowed his head and said, "Now I humble myself in the dust. Who am I to contend with God?" Brother, whatever the Lord does is right. And Job cried out, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him." So this morning my brother, sister, you're going to reap just what you sow. And whether you know it or not, when the things start coming on, they'll be your chickens coming home to roost. But just say to the Lord, "Thy will be done." Never turn aside to unrighteousness, no matter how unrighteous you might be treated, God has promised that though you die, He will meet you in the sweet by and by. And every sorrow, heartache and every wound that you have suffered will be compensated for one moment in His presence.

So, if you know the Lord, don't mock Him, and don't forget to praise Him. Don't let men praise you. They want to flatter you. The devil wants to flatter you through them. But whatever you are doing when men praise you, give the glory to the Lord. Say "If it wasn't for the Lord, I wouldn't be what I am." That's your chance to praise God, no matter what folks may say about you---no matter how they may think you're wonderful. Just give the credit to God. For if it wasn't for God, you wouldn't be able to do it.

Jesus never took any glory to Himself. Whenever men came and praised Him, He said, it is by the power of My Father, that I do what I do. So remember you can praise God if when you do anything that men praise you for, you pass it on to God, and let Him have the glory. It won't take anything from you, because God will see to it that you will be manifested in your place. So praise Him, but you can't do it without clean hands, because you're not obeying Him. Don't talk about how much you love your mother, and do everything she tells you not to do. No need to fall out and cry when she dies because you have helped to kill her. It was our sin that caused Jesus to be crucified. If you are sorry for His death, forsake your sins, and your disobedience. No one is sorry for what he is doing or has done unless he stops. To disobey

is to sin, and to sin is not to love God, for that is disobedience. If you love God you will obey Him.

So, I want you to take this with you, if you're living right. If your hands are clean and your heart is pure, don't ever charge God foolishly. Don't say, the Lord suffered this when I've done the best. I might as well do as the wicked. The devil is wicked, he tries to make you think the wicked are happy. But the wicked aren't happy. There are only one man and one woman in this world who are happy, and those are the ones who don't have any condemnation. You don't have condemnation when you ask, "why do I suffer?" because when you do wrong you know why. And when you've done right, commit the keeping of God all things pertaining to your life and wait until your change comes. All your appointed days, you wait until your change comes and you'll find that one day, one moment in glory will pay for it all.

So we say to you this morning, don't charge God foolishly but always search yourself when anything comes and see whether or not you're to blame. Always try to find if I'm the cause. If you're the cause, beg pardon, and don't do it again because you'll find that you'll reap just what you sow and the principals of reaping is getting more in the harvest than you sowed in the spring. You can't take it without help and you've got to go to God to get help. Before you can get help from Him, He'll say go and be reconciled with your brother or else I can't help you.

So may God bless you, and may the words which I have spoken guide you. May you never forget that while you have breath in your nostrils, it is to praise Him---to praise Him in sickness, in health, in sorrow, in joy. Praise Him! **"Let everything that hath breath, PRAISE THE LORD"**.





### The Holy Bible Word Puzzle Rules

1. Find the "Book" given at the top of the first column. Then find the "Chapter" and "Verse" indicated beside the "Book".

2. To find the "Word", begin at the first word in the "Verse" and count each succeeding word until you have counted the number indicated on the table.

3. Write the "Word" on the blank line in the "Answer" column.

4. Repeat this operation for each book listed in the puzzle.

5. Reading each word from the top to bottom in the Answer column, you will have a familiar Bible passage.

6. Then search the Scriptures to find the answer. The use of a

concordance is recommended. Quote where the passage is found.

7. Please use the King James Version of the Holy Bible.

8. Mail answer to: **Happy News Publishing Co., 2030 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001.** If you do not wish to cut the paper, you may submit your answer on plain paper.

9. The answer to the puzzle should be postmarked by the fifteenth (15th) of the month for publication in our next issue.

10. Letters must be limited to forty (40) words and are published as space will allow.

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BOOK	CHAPTER	VERSE	WORD	ANSWER
1. St. Luke	1	9	1	_____
2. St. Matthew	9	29	8	_____
3. Malachi	2	9	20	_____
4. Romans	8	19	3	_____
5. Psalm	62	5	10	_____
6. Proverbs	24	14	22	_____
7. Zephaniah	3	11	46	_____
8. Hebrews	7	19	14	_____
9. II Thessalonians	3	14	13	_____
10. I John	2	28	6	_____
11. Isaiah	41	11	18	_____
12. Ezra	9	6	6	_____
13. Job	11	3	13	_____
14. Jeremiah	12	13	22	_____
15. II Kings	8	11	10	_____
16. Romans	8	24	7	_____
17. Hebrews	11	16	8	_____
18. Joel	2	26	23	_____
19. Micah	3	7	14	_____
20. Acts	4	13	6	_____
21. I Peter	4	16	6	_____
22. Deuteronomy	5	29	20	_____
23. Lamentations	3	29	9	_____
24. Genesis	2	23	6	_____
25. St. Mark	8	38	20	_____
26. St. Luke	2	11	17	_____
27. Psalm	43	5	21	_____
28. II Timothy	1	8	18	_____
29. Joshua	4	14	6	_____
30. Hosea	2	15	26	_____
31. I Corinthians	9	1	21	_____
32. Colossians	2	11	17	_____
33. Exodus	16	4	34	_____
34. Ezekiel	43	11	55	_____
35. Titus	2	8	5	_____
36. Galatians	2	20	29	_____
37. Revelation	13	8	20	_____
38. Leviticus	3	1	23	_____
39. Ephesians	2	13	15	_____
40. Revelation	1	18	25	_____

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Answers to Last Month's Puzzle

"Therefore, shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes" (Deuteronomy 11:18).

## Responses to the Bible Word Puzzle

The Happy News staff would like to thank all of the individuals who respond to the Bible Word Puzzle. May God Bless each and everyone of you for your continued support. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

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# Mrs. Michaux's Gospel Message to All

## A LETTER TO THE CHURCH

Unto the Church of God at Newport News, Virginia, Hampton, Virginia, Edenborn, Pennsylvania, Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Maryland, New York, New York, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Mercy unto you and peace and love be multiplied. I have been thinking of you ever since I last saw you, and to those of you who are faithful in the Lord and obedient, I commend you for your faithfulness and obedience.

It has been our life for approximately 20 years, after God having called you through us, rising early and going late...not failing to declare the whole council, teaching you love, faithfulness and obedience; and seeing that it has been prophesied, that in the latter days, some would depart from the faith giving heed to seducing spirits. And, also I am still reminding you too, that God has said in His Word, **“And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold cold”** (St. Matthew 24:12). But truly, if that should be the case of you people, you will have absolutely no excuse; and seeing that to be the case with you: for the nearer the end, the more faithful you should be. And instead of getting careless and unconcerned and forsaking the assembling of yourselves, the Word has said, that we should assemble more often as we see the Day fast approaching. And the love that I have for you all constrains me to write to stir up your pure minds by the way of remembrance of the things that God has said, and we have preached and taught them to you.

Now, Saints, I have endeavored to be an example from every angle in faithfulness and service to the very best of my knowledge and ability; and God has always anointed someone's eyes, and they can see better for the people than they can see for themselves. And knowing that we can see things that you cannot see, it is your part to be obedient.

Now, when God spoke to Abraham, he moved at God's command. Also, when God sent Jonah to Nineveh to cry against the sins of that city, the king left his throne and called the people down in sackcloth and ashes, that God might turn away His wrath; and He is just the same today.

Now you have often heard us say, that God called America to her knees, and America paid no attention; and truly, the wrath of God cometh upon the children of disobedience. And for the last three years, you have also heard me say that God called the Church of God to her knees. And of course the Church of God is all people who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior, and are living a sin free life: For after all, we are the church, not wood, brick, nor stone. But God hath said in His written Word **“What?**



Mrs. Mary E. Michaux, co-founder

**know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you: “If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy;”** (I Corinthians 6:19, I Corinthians 3:17).

So since God is calling His people everywhere, and you are a small group of them, I hope, truly, you are answering the call. For if you obey God, it will go well with you and He will not withhold any blessing from you. But if you rebel and refuse, it will not go well with you. So, I am sure, dear Saints; since when God calls, you are going to meet Somebody when you are going to meet Him at the “Sweet Hour of Prayer,” that ONE far superior to us meeting each other. We should be very proud of the invitation and respond, for if we hold back from Him, He will hold back from us. And if we be willing and obedient, according to His Word, we shall eat the good of the land. For, we find in days back, when God called men to battle, He would first tell them what to do, and those that would obey, honor and serve Him, would always win the victory. For nothing brings war but sin and disobedience.

Now, you may read for your learning II Chronicles 20th Chapter, which reads as follows: **“IT came to pass after this also, that the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them other beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle. Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they be in Hazazon-tamar, which is Engedi. And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.**

**“And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask help of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD. And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and**

**Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court. And said, O LORD God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and rulest not thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee? Art not thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gravest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend forever? And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying, If when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house), and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.**

**“And now, behold the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not; Behold, I say, how they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit. O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.**

**“And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children. Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation; And he said, Harken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's.**

**“Tomorrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel. Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you.**

**“And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD. And the Levites of the children of the**

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I am thankful for my Grandmother Jeannette and my Great Grandmother Matilda because they help us a lot and they take us to the store. They also got me new glasses.

By Makari, Age 10  
Washington, D.C.



I am thankful for my grandmother because she helps me when I am sad or mad. I love her!

Nathaniel, Age 10  
Lanham



I am thankful for my grandparents because they take good care of me. They take me on cruises. They make sure that I eat well. They show me love, but most of all, they make sure that I put Christ first in my life.

By Cheyenne, Age 11  
Newport News



I am thankful for my grandmother and grandfather because they do a lot for me. They give me some of the things that I want. For example, I asked my grandma to take me to Chuck E Cheese’s and to Dave & Buster’s, and she took me. I asked grandpa if we could go to McDonald’s and he took me. That makes me happy. They pray for me and want the best for me.  
That’s why I am thankful for them. I love them!

David  
Age: 11  
Capitol Heights



I am thankful for my grandmother because she is always there for me and my brothers. She gives me her opinion on things and gives me great advice. My grandmother is the most giving person I know. It doesn’t matter who you are: if you need help she will give it to you. I love her so much!

Nya, Age 13  
Lanham



I am thankful for my grandparents because God made them. I am also thankful for them because they are kind. I am thankful because my grandma makes delicious food, desserts, and the most beautiful garments!

By Chani, Age 14  
Centerville



I am thankful for my grandmother because she cares for me. She also takes me places that I need to go. She takes care of my siblings and me when our mom is at work. She also gives me money when I need it and because she is the best grandmother anyone could ask for!

By N’Kyron, Age 14  
Lanham



I am thankful for my grandparents because they make me feel loved and like I have another set of support.

By Toni, Age 14  
Ashton



I am thankful for my grandparents because I love them! They are cool! My grandma makes cool things like clothes and good food. I also like talking with them.

By Jade, Age 16  
Centerville



ANSWERS TO OCTOBER HOLY BIBLE QUIZ

1. Paul continually prayed for Timothy (**II Timothy 1:3**).
2. Paul recalled Timothy’s “unfeigned faith” (**II Timothy 1:5**).
3. The “gift of God” (**II Timothy 1:6**).
4. God has not given us the “spirit of fear” (**II Timothy 1:7**).
5. Timothy knew about Paul’s “doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience” (**II Timothy 3:10**).
6. Paul said the Lord delivered him from all his persecutions (**II Timothy 3:11**).
7. No, we shall suffer persecution (**II Timothy 3:12**).

ANSWERS TO OCTOBER FILL IN THE BLANKS

1. O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens (**Psalm 8:1**).
2. The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever: the LORD shall rejoice in his works (**Psalm 104:31**).
3. The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens (**Psalm 113:4**).
4. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in (**Psalm 24:7**).
5. Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle (**Psalm 24:8**).
6. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in (**Psalm 24:9**).
7. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory (**Psalm 24:10**).

NOVEMBER HOLY BIBLE QUIZ

1. What were the Hebrew believers to lay aside?
2. To whom were they to look in running the Christian race?
3. For the joy set before Him what did Jesus endure and despise?
4. To save themselves from becoming wearied and faint what were believers to consider?
5. What exhortation had they forgotten?



Sunday School Lessons for the Month of November

The lessons for this month were reviewed by Elder Tommy Smith. He is the Assistant Pastor in the Church of God, Hampton VA.



LESSON 45 – November 4, 2018  
SUBJECT – Preparation for Deliverance

**GOLDEN TEXT:** “And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die. But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons’ wives with thee” (Genesis 6:17-18).

**PRINTED SCRIPTURE TEXT:** Genesis 6:11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

**12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.**

13 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

**14 Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.**

15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

**16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.**

17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.

**18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons’ wives with thee.**

19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female.

**20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.**

21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

**22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.**

LESSON DISCUSSION

“And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth” (See Genesis 6:5a), God’s heart was broken when the creature, whom He created after His own image, to live in holy communion with Him, had a heart that was on evil continually. Man became so corrupt that it “repented the Lord that He had made man on earth,” (Genesis 6:6a). (Repented does not mean God made a mistake; instead, it indicates a change in divine direction, resulting from man’s actions.) What did He do? He put his plan of salvation in motion through Noah.

Noah lived in an environment that was evil continually, yet, he remained faithful to God (See Genesis 6:8). God instructed Noah to build an ark. This ark saved his family and the animals for the next world. Just as in the days of Noah, man’s heart is on evil continually. God has warned, through the mouth of the Holy Prophets, of the judgement to come. The ark has been prepared. Man may run to the ark, Jesus Christ, to be saved from the wrath to come.

LESSON 46 – November 11, 2018  
SUBJECT – Safety in the Ark

**GOLDEN TEXT:** “And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation” (Genesis 7:1).

**PRINTED SCRIPTURE TEXT:** Genesis 7:1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

**2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female.**

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

**4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.**

5 And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

**6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.**

7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons’ wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

**8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth,**

9 There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

**10 And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.**

LESSON DISCUSSION

In this lesson, God has waited 120 years to send the flood. This delay was to allow the ark to be completed and to give men time to repent. He tells Noah, “...Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation” (See Genesis 7:1). Noah obeyed God and built the ark, though it had never rained in that place (See Genesis 2:5). As a result, he and his family were saved from the flood.

Jesus said, “But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.” (St. Matthew 24:37). As in Noah’s day, many are so busy pursuing worldly desires, but neglect the one thing that is important...their souls. They ignore the call to repentance for the Kingdom of God is at-hand. Sad to say, He will come as a thief in the night and many will be cast out into eternal damnation. Why? Because they rejected the only safety God has provided...Jesus Christ.

LESSON 47 – November 18, 2018  
SUBJECT – The Great Flood

**GOLDEN TEXT:** “And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark” (Genesis :23).

**PRINTED SCRIPTURE TEXT:** Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

**12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.**

13 In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah’s wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;

**14 They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort.**

15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life.

**16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.**



17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.  
**18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.**  
19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.  
**20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.**  
21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:  
**22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.**  
23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.  
**24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.**

LESSON DISCUSSION

The greatest tragedy of the flood is that men and women were warned, for 120 years, that a flood was coming. God provided a way of escape, which they rejected. As a result, out of millions of people, only eight souls were saved, Noah and they that were with him (See Genesis 7:23). This story reminds us that God knows how to preserve His people during the storm. Isaiah says it best, “When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee” (Isaiah 43:2).

The flood reveals to us that God is holy and will not tolerate sin. On the other hand, God is merciful in that He will allow men and women time to repent of their sins. He even limits the severity of His judgement. As in Noah’s day, another storm is coming, but this time it will be fire. Once again, THE way of escape has been made. May men everywhere enter the ark, which is Jesus Christ, and be saved.

LESSON 48 – November 25, 2018  
SUBJECT – Thanksgiving and a Promise

GOLDEN TEXT: “And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and

took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar” (Genesis 8:20).

**PRINTED SCRIPTURE TEXT:** Genesis 8:15 And God spake unto Noah, saying,  
**16 Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons’ wives with thee.**  
17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.  
**18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons’ wives with him:**  
19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.  
**20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.**  
21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man’s sake; for the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.  
**22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.**

LESSON DISCUSSION

Noah loved God so much that he obeyed Him and was thankful for His goodness and faithfulness. He trusted God so much that he relied on Him for the next move. It is believed that Noah, and those with him, remained on the ark approximately one year and seventeen days, after the flood. He removed the covering from the ark; however, he did not leave until God told him to do so. (See Genesis 8:12-14). The First thing Noah did, when he got on dry ground was set-up an altar to offer burnt offerings. God was so pleased with Noah, that He made a covenant with him. He signified the agreement with the rainbow as a symbol of promise, to never again destroy earth with a flood (See Genesis 9: 11-15).

Today, this covenant remains. Many floods have happened since, but none like the flood in Noah’s day. When we see the appearance of a rainbow lighting across the sky, it is a reminder that the earth will never be destroyed again by a flood. Oh, what a comfort to know that the God we serve, cannot lie and will always keep His promises (See Numbers 23:19).

# A LETTER TO THE CHURCH

(Continued from Page 5)

**Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high. And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem: Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.**

**“And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth forever. And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten. For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, everyone helped to destroy another.**

**“And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they were dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped. And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much. And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Berachah: for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.**

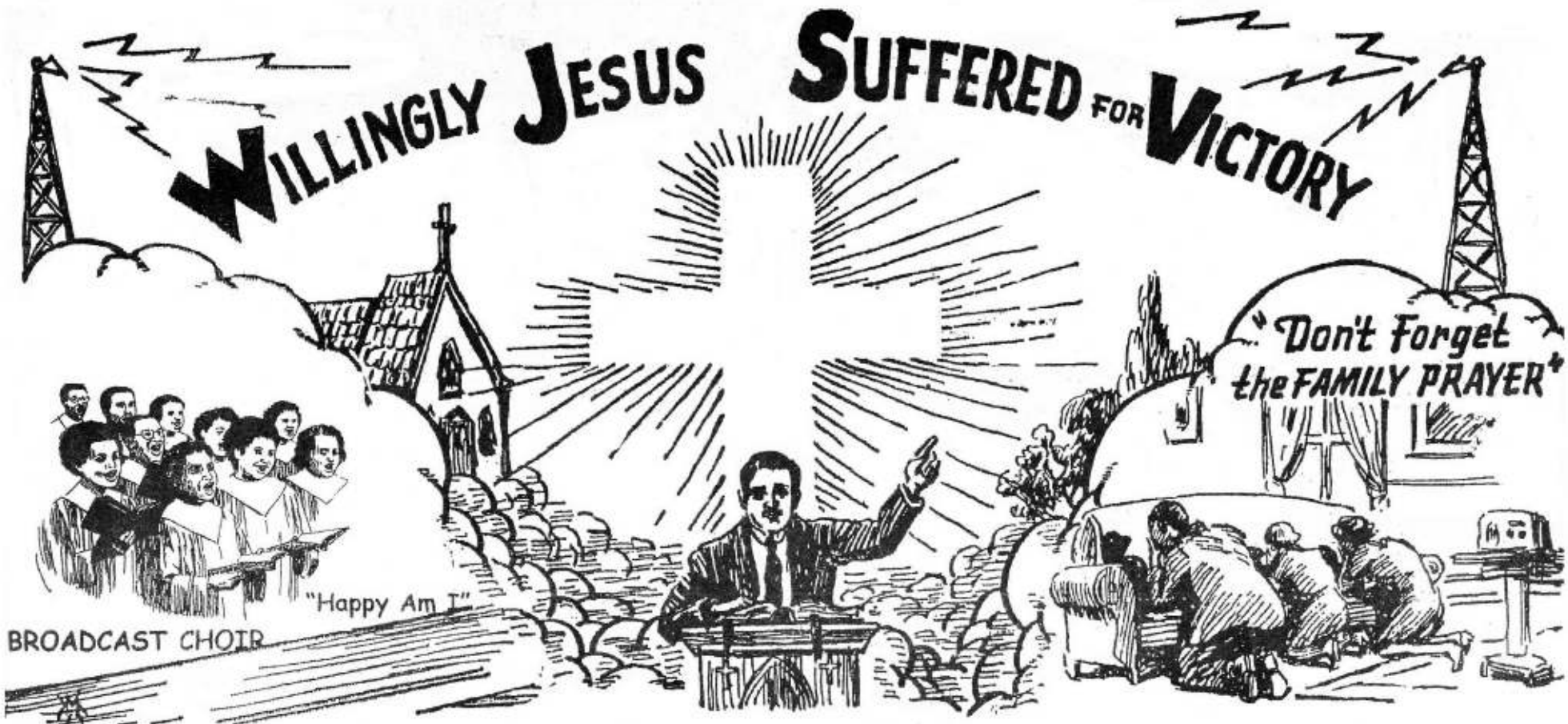
**“Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies. And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the LORD.**

**“And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of those countries, when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel. So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about. And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: he was thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother’s name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi. And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it, doing that which was right in the sight of the Lord.**

**“Howbeit the high places were not taken away: for as yet the people had not prepared their hearts unto the God of their fathers. Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who is mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel. And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly: And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Eziongaber. Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish.”**

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CALLING ALL YOUTH (Continued from Page 9)

6. When chastening is accepted rightly what does it yield?
7. What two things were they to follow?

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- .1. Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, doing \_\_\_\_\_?
2. My \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, O God, my \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_; I will \_\_\_\_\_ and give \_\_\_\_\_.
3. To the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_, wherein he hath made us \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Because thy \_\_\_\_\_ is better than \_\_\_\_\_, my \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ thee.
5. Great is the \_\_\_\_\_, and greatly to be \_\_\_\_\_; and his \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD with \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ unto him with the \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_ of ten strings.
7. God came from Teman, and the \_\_\_\_\_ from Mount Paran. His \_\_\_\_\_ covered the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_.

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