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LESSON HINTS

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The "Glad tidings of great joy" is the gospel news to a lost world. The heavenly anthem caroled by the angel choir on the first Christmas morning, was the sweetest music ever heard by mortal ear. In the midst of the moral dark-ness of the world, there shone a light as bright as the glory of God. This mystic light encircled the earth and filled the shepherd watchers first with fear and then with holy joy. Not only with the vision of heavenly light and heavenly messengers, but with the voice of heav-enly music must the Messiair be pro-claimed. The angels' song was entrancing, the theme of their song is eternal.

The artist and sculptor will spend months and years upon their work, because the lights and shadows from the brush, on the chisel marks upon the stone, are to live in the world of art. It is said that Handel spent three years amidst the harmonies of his "Messiah." before that masterpiece of earth-born music was given to the world. Oh, how long must God have been preparing the grand "Hallelujah Chorus" of heaven and

world when Jesus was born! No other song e'er sung for earth was half so sweet, so pure, so true, so good.

If the angels could sing with rapturous praise, "Peace upon earth—good will to men," when Jesus was born, how great about he course of the beautiful to the course of the beautiful to the course of should be our song of thanksgiving for our Saviour and King.

Joy to the world, the Lord has come; Let earth receive her King: Let every heart prepare Him room, Aand heaven and nature sing.

praise, we must accept Jesus as King and treat Him truly as Lord of all. He



The first net of worship Jesus ever received was in the visit of the wise men, a 'their presen-tation of rich gifts of "god and frankin-cense and myrrh." Let us bring our richest gifts of TIME, and TALENTS, and TREASURE, and lay them at the

feet of our Lord and King.

Mary sang with hely joy. "My soul doth magnify the Lord," when her life enshabed the Christ. But listen now. The "Heaven's are telling" in rapturious by the grand chorus of the he marvelous story of the Sav-

Behold the morning of the world dawn; the clouds are rolled back; hear the number notes of victory, and the angers carol, "Glory to God," as the ams of the Sun of Righteousness st heams of the Sun of Righteousness I when the earth. Hear the swelling the chorus as the deep diapason stop deth's organ is touched in the second strain, "Good will to men." Oh listly listen! Shall we not cry, wonder wonders and music of the grandost, the grand organ of eternity peals forth a strain. "The Prince of mages," the grand organ of eternity peals ne grains, "The Prince of peace?"

earth receive her King."

SUMPAY-SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS LESSON. Luke, 11:8-20.

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INTRODUCTION.-The hich we study bears its author's name. the companion of Paul (Col. iv:15), he good knowledge of the early years Christianity (Ch., i:3), and he was in arty sympathy with the missionary pirit which carried the gospel westward o Rome. Master of Greek learning he to Rome. Master of Greek learning he employs his scholarship to give finish to his writings. Luke begins his sketch of Jesus by recording what the other evangelists omit—the enunciation to Zacharias, he Elizabeth and to Marry; the later's visit to Elizabeth and her inspired song; the birth and infancy of John the Eaptist. He explains also how Jesus came to be born in Bethlehem, as the prophet declared he would be (Micah, 1921). The decre of Caesar has compalled Joseph, the foster father, accompanied by the prospective mother, to go thither to be enrolled and taxed. The passage for the day relates events followers.

SHEPHERDS—To whom shall it be first announced that Christ has come? Shall it be to Herod at Jerusalem? No, he is jealous of power, and will seek to destroy the babe. (Matt., ii.ii). Shall it he to the priests and scribes? No, they are haughty and bigoted, esteeming their prerogatives more than the cause of rightbousness, persecuting any who true righteousness, persecuting any who turn the people away from them. (Matt., xxvi,



(7). Resides, they interpret the prophi cies concerning the Messiah as descrip-tive of a temporal prince, and they will not receive as such one of lowly birth. The dignitaries in church and state will one day unite to put the son of Mary to death. (Luke xxil,23). Just outside the city are flocks feeding on those same pasture lands which were used centuries ago. Humble men were there watching the sheep, possibly those who were the descendants of Jesse, when Samuel came to annoint the new king. (I Sam., xvi,11). These shepherds shall first know of the advent. They have not been corrupted by the scenes and customs of the court, and they are best prepared to hear the message. (Psalms xxxiv, 2.)

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ANGEL—Who shall tell the story to the shepherds? Shall it be the porter (John x, 3), who keeps the gate, who admitted the travelers from Galilee? He cannot leave his post of duty, and it is doubted if he knows anything of the manger and its precious occupant. Shall leave his country is probable that the young Joseph go? It is probable that the young mother needs his company (Matt., il, '1). Shall some one from the village be sent? Shall some one from the village be sent? The inhabitants are asleep and know not the dignity of the little stranger. An angel shall be employed. He knows what no mortal then understood, for his home is the eternal habitation whence Jesus came (John xvii, 5), where, through Rev. James Benninger, pastor. Preachcountless ages, the inexpressable glory had been displayed. On other errands Angels had to come to mortals (Gen., xxi, 5). Suddenly descending from the skies, the celestial visitor stood among the shepherds. The effulgence from the world above attended him and lighted up all the plain shedding an unearthly splender over the face of nature. A sim-llar visitation was granted to Saul, of larsus, on his way to Damascus (Acts

TIDINGS-What will the angel say to the shepherds? "Fear not," were his first words. The supernatural exhibition had overpowered them. Their vision must have been disturbed by the sight (Acts ix, 8). Strong men though they were, accustomed to danger, they trembled with necustomed to danger and the control of that any one who saw a celestial being must die (Judges xiii, 22). The angel therefore assured his hearers that no the control of the contr harm was intended. Instead he brought them good tidings. "A Saviour is born unto you this day," he said, fulfilling the earth for an angel choir to sing for the promise made to Joseph (Matt., 1, 21), declaring the nature and mission of the child, human because born, divine be-cause a Saviour. The angel went on to associate the child with Israel's hopes, cause it Satvage as seed to be child with Israel's nopes, associate the child with Israel's nopes, locating him in the city of David, calling ing 10:30; Sunday school, 11:40, Clark, superintendent, Young Christians Clark, superintendent, Young Christians class, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:30, E. Clark, leader; preaching, 7:30 p. m.;

ANTHEM—What is the importance of the event just anonunced? The shepherds might have known in part, for the church, Adams avenue and vine street—church, Adams avenue and vine street plained more fully had not a veil been over their eyes. (2 Cor iii, 14). It is dedrable that the shepherds, and that attermined the control of the sirable that the shepherds, and that afbeginning, what the coming of Christ signified. Immediately there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host. (Matt xxvl, 53). They filled the air, and their voices rang out full and clear in the silence of the early morning. "Glory to God in the highest," was the first strain of their song. The mercy, the wisdom and the rightcongress of God. the wisdom, and the righteousness of God were to be unfolded by the advent. This was the consummation of a plan laid in the ages past (Gen ill, 15). "On earth is to sit upon the throne of our hearts peace" to men of good will, so the words and we are to be loyal to Him "in all should be translated. Christ's coming powers of darkness (Matt x, 34), but to those whose hearts are changed it meant joy and satisfaction. He had a godward and a manward mission (Isa il. 4).

VISIT-How will the shepherds receive this wonderful message? Will it fall on dull ears and hard hearts? Will they be indifferent to the fulfillment of prophecy and the realization of national hopes? (Gal i, 16). Scarcely had the angels departed when they conferred concerning what they had heard, and resolved to visit the new-born child. (Isa ix, 6). Hastening over the plain, up "the ter-raced hill, through the moonlight gar-dens." they entered the town. Their search was not long. Having been told that Jesus would be found in a manger, they proceeded to the public inn, where strangers find accommodations, and were directed to the place where the beasts were kept, because there was no room elsewhere. The fancy of painters and poets has revealed in the scene as the shepherds entered and beheld Joseph, Mary and the child. But the inspired penman with honest simplicity has not attempted to describe the interview.

WONDER-What will the shepherds do after their visit? Will they retire in silent disapointment? Because of the surroundings and the humiliation will they LESSON FOR DEC. 21 conclude that they failed to find Him of whom the angels spoke, or that the message was misunderstood? No, they were men of faith. Going forth into the streets of Bethlehem, they reported with gladness the doings of the night. (1 Cor iv, 13). The birth of a babe always awakens woman's sympathy, and when it was told that in the manger lay an infant, it is altogether probable that hospitality soon found a more agreeable place. But the story of the angels, retold as it must have been, invested the little one with far greater interest. As the tidings spread from lip to lip, from home to home, the village was greatly excited, the population wondering and curious, ask ing and answering questions. It may be that some doubted, but the greater part believed, and all felt that a notable event

passage for the day relates events following the birth.

er's joy. All this was calculated to lead her mind along many lines of sober reflection upon the problem of life and its issues. And now these plain men of the field have come to report the night vision and to worship, and the people have tak-en up the story with amazement. She finds herself thus suddenly the subject of public attention. Highly favored among women (Ch i, 28), she seemed not full to comprehend, but pondered in he heart the things that were told to her. PRAISING—Having published the news in Bethlehem, what will the shepherds do? Will the impression be short-lived? Were they excited? When they have be-come calm will they dismiss the subject? No; they went forth more strongly con-vinced than when they came. Finding all as it had been promised, perhaps influenced by the appearance of the child and its mother, probably retaining the spirit's power upon their hearts, they re-turned to their flocks, praising and gior-flying God. Their hearts were full of the theme; they were not ashamed to utter their convictions. They were the first human evangelists imitating the angels in their spirit and words. They evidently felt a personal interest, for the

CONCLUSION-If the birth of Jesus was attended with circumstances of external humiliation, it was also marked

one who spoke to them had said, "born

dor of palaces and retinues, suited to pulpit and will preach in English. Sub-pour contempt on all human grandeur. Ject, "The Birth of Christ." All seats pour contempt on all human grandeur. The first gospel proclamation lilustrates the true method of making Christ known. the true method of making Christ known. Begun by an angel, repeated in chorus, received by shepherds, moving them to action, retold in the city, awakening won-der; rehearsed with rejoicing; Whosoever hears let him speak (Rev xxii, 17) until the world is full of his praise.

SERVICES IN THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church— Rev. Dr. C. M. Giffin, pastor. Prayer and praise meeting, 9:30 a. m.; Christmas ser-mon by pastor at 10:30; Sunday school at mon by pastor at 10:30; Sunday School at 2 p. m.; Senior League t 6:39 p. m.; an elaborate program of hristmas music at 7:30 p. m. Strangers are welcome. Simpson Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. H. C. McDermott, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Birth of Christ;" evening subject, "Saving His People from Their Sins." Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior league at 3 p. m.; Epworth league

Junior league at 3 p. m.; Epworth league at 6.30 p. m. Prayer and class meeting at 9.30 a. m. All are welcome.

Asbury Methodist Episcopal church, Delaware street and Monsey avenue—Rev. Charles A. Benjamin. pastor. Brotherhood at 9.30; preaching at 10.30 by pastor. Christmas sermon and special music. Sunday school at 2.30; league at music. Sunday school at 2.30; league at music. Sunday school at 2.30; league at

Rev. James Benninger, pastor. Preaching at 10.30; subject, "Why the Angels Sang;" class meeting at 11.30; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Epworth league at 6.30, Bessie Diehl, leader. Evening preaching service at 7.30; subject, "The Sinners Saviour." Sermons appropriate to Christ-mas time. Special music by the choir.

Providence M. E. church—Rev. George A. Cure, pastor. The customary services attending Christmas Sunday will be held at 19:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. The paster gives more than the usual time to music, giving short addresses, and Prof. J. H. Cousins, the chorister, has prepared a very attractive service of song. The Brotherhood of St. Paul meets at 10 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m., Epworth League at 6:45, topic: "Christmas: Its Message and Motive," Pearl Waters leader.

Snyder, leader. Preaching at 7.30 p. m. by the Rev. Joseph Madison. A cordial

Court Street Methodist Episcopai church-Rev. G. C. Lyman, pastor.Class class, 3 p. in., 22 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 23 p. in., 24 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 25 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 25 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 26 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 27 proceeding, 7:30 p. in., 27

tures to all. The doctors might have explained more fully had not a veil been noon, and at 2 o'clock p. m. in the Taylor avenue chapel. Epworth league meeting at 6.45 p. m.; prayer meeting on Wednes-

Preaching at 10.39 a. m.; subject, "The Birth at Bethlehem." Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Preaching at 7.45 p. m., sub-ject. "Apostasy or the Sins of Unbelief." Christmas exercises by the Sunday school Thursday evening, Dec. 25. A cordial

ing at 10:30 and evening at 7:30 by the pastor, Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce, D. D. Morning prayers in the lower temple at 9:45. Theme of the morning sermon, "The Christmas Hope." Special Christmas music by the grand chorus at all of the services; Sunday school at the ome church at 2 o'clock, with special Christmas programme. Sunday school at the Amerman mission at 3:30; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30. Theme of the evening ser-mon, "Christmas Every Day." An evan-gelistic service will follow the sermon in

Jackson Street Baptist church-Rev Thomas de Gruchy, D. D., pastor, Morning service at 10.30; preaching by the pastor; topic, "Christmas Joy." Sunday school at 2 p. m., John Lloyd, superintendent Evidence Superintendent Francisco endent. Evening service at 7 sharp Praise and song service, A short ad-iress by the pastor, with special music y an augmented choir. The music this year will surpass any heard before. Spe-cial pains have been taken to make this

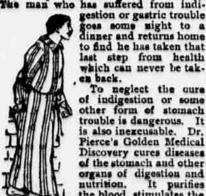
a glorious day. You are invited.

Green Ridge Paptist church—The pastor, Rev. Henry Sterling Potter, will preach at both services. Morning subject, "The Glory of Bethlehem;" evening subject, "Life's Prize." Bible school at

close of morning worship. First Weish Baptist church-Rev. D. D. Hopkins, pastor. Services will be held at the usual hours. In the morning at 10 the pastor will be in charge of the services, and will preach in the Welsh lan-guage, Subject, "The Consecrated Life." In the afternoon at 2 the Sunday school guage, Subject, "The Consecrated Life."
In the afternoon at 2 the Sunday school will be held in the lecture room of the church, Fourth Ward and Bryn Mawr street. In the evening at 6, Professor James R. Hughes, A. M., will occupy the street. In the evening at 6, Professor James R. Hughes, A. M., will occupy the

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Will be fatal to the sleep-walker. Will he draw back or will he take the final, fatal step? A great many people are in peril like the sleep-walker. They are diseased. The disease is progressing day by day. The time comes when one more step away from health is fatal. The man who has suffered from indigestion or gustric trouble



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Shiloh Baptist church, corner Mulberry street and Adams avenue—Rev. J. B. Boddle, paster. Preaching at 11 a. m.; subject, "Not Ashamed of Jesus;" 12.30, Sunday school; 7.45 p. m., preaching; subject, "Sowing and Reaping." The public is invited to all our services,

rayer meeting.

First Presbyterian church—"The Holy Child," and "His Holy Mother," will be the topics of Dr. McLeod's discourses to-The evening sermon on the al leged "Mother of God," should interest non-Presbyterians in view of the lectures delivered in Scranton this week for the

Washburn Street Presbyterian Church-Washburn Street Presbyterian Church— Rev. John P. Moffet, D. D., pastor, Ser-vices at 10:30 a. m. and :30 p. m.; Fible school at 12 m.; C. E. Juniors at 3:30 p. m.; C. E. Y. P. S. at 6:20 p. m.; no prayer meeting this week. Bible school Christ-mas service with delightful program, orchestra present. Friday evening. Christ. mas music and sermons morning and ev-

Sumner avenue Presbyterian church, orner Sumner avenue and Price streets-Services to-morrow as follows: Morning service at 19:39. Sabbath school at 2 o'clock: evening service at 6 p. m. The Rev. Mr. Nye will occupy the pulpit Seats free, all welcome

curate. Fourth Sunday in Advent.

St. Mark's, Dunmore-8 a. m., holy communion; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer

East End Mission, Prescott avenue 3.30 p. m., Sunday school and Bible

South Side Mission, Fig street-2.30 p. m., Sunday school and Bible classes. St. George's, Olyphant-2.30 p. m., Sunday school and Bible classes; 3.30 p. m.,

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

BAPTIST.

Penn Avenue Baptist Church, Penn avenue between Spruce and Linden streets.—Reception committee of business men welcome strangers. Preaching more Grace church, Wyoming avenue, be-

> Reformed Episcopal Branch church, Hose House, Tripp Park.—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Henry Cardew will preach at both services; Sunday chool at 12 m.

a Advent. Gospel, John, i, 19-28; epistle, in Advent. Gospel, John, 1, 19-28; epistle, Philippians, iv, 4-7.
St. Mark's, Washburn street—Rev. A.
L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor. Services at 10.39 a. m. and 7.39 p. m. Sunday school 12 m.; Luther league, 6 p. m. Catechetical instruction, Friday, 7 p. m. Service on Christmas day at 7 a. m. Festival of Sunday school at 7.39 p. m.
Christ, church. Cedar, avenue, and Birch.

Christ church, Cedar avenue and Birch street-Rev. James Witke, pastor. Ser-Randolph, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m. Wednesday even-ing service, 7.45. Catechetical instruction, Wednesday and Saturday, 7 p. m.

Weekly notices: Tuesday evening, Dec. 23, Ilterary entertainment; admission free. Christmas morning, 5 o'clock,

Memorial Esptist church, Church avenue—Rev. W. F. Davles, pastor. Services tomorrow at the usual hours. The pastor will preach special Christmas sermons in the morning and evening. Bible school at 2 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.

special benefit of non-Catholics. Second Presbyterian church, Jefferson sermons by Rev. J. H. Odell,

and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Dr. Guild will have charge of the services. Special music morning and evening. Sunday school 12 p. m. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor service, 6.39 o'clock. Green Ridge Presbyterian church-Rev. J. Lansing, pastor, Rev. N. G. Parke,

evening prayer and sermon. St. James, Nicholson—10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 9.4 a. m., Sunday

Christmas music rendered by the choir, Sunday school at 12 m.; Young People's society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Wedensday evening at 7:45 o'clock; seats free; everybody

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN.

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preaching and praise service; Christmas tree Thursday evening; Friday evening,

Avenue between Mulberry and Vine streets, Rev. Joseph H. Odell, pastor, morning worship, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.; special Christmas music and Christmas Providence Presbyterian church.-Christmas services at 10 o'clock a. m.,

D. D., will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Bible school at 12 o'lclock. Endeavor Society meeting at 6:30 p. m.;

special Christmas music. A welc

ening. All welcome

St. Luke's Parish-Rev. Rogers Israel, D. D., rector; Rev. Edward J. Haughton, senior curate; Rev. Robert E. Roe, junior St. Luke's church-7.30 a. m., holy com-munion; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon; 9.15 a. m., Sunday school and

and sermon: 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon; 3 p. m., Sunday school and

classes; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and

vices, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m. St. Peter's, Prescott avenue—Rev. John

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German-Polish Lutheran Emanuel church-Rev. Ferdinand Sattelmeier, pas-tor. Service in the Polish language at 10.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m. Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Adams avenue and Mul-berry street-Rev. E. F. Ritter, A. M.,

pastor. Services at 10.30 a.m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Great Advent Question Answered;" evening subject, "The Benedictus, the Hymn of Zechariah." Sunday school, 12 m.; Luther league, 6.45 p. m. Matin service, with special music and sermen, at 6 a. m. on Christmas Day. Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

(General Synod), corner Mulberry street and Prescott avenue-Rev. Luther Hess Waring, pastor, 9.30 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., divine worship; 7 p. m., Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; 7.30 p. m., evening service, with sermon. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. William M. B. Glanding, of Newport, Pa., will occupy the pulpit morning and evening.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Plymouth Congregational church-T. A. Humphreys, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. The Lord's super will be administered in the morning, before which there will be a short sermon on "The Covenant of the Church," being the fifth on the subject, "The Church." In the evening there will be a Christmas sermon and music. Sunday school at 12 m., and at 2.1 at Sherman avenue. Senlor Endeavor at 6 p. m. Junior Endeavor

at 4 p. m. Monday. First Christian church, North Main avenue—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. R. W. Clymer, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; subjects, "A Christmas Thought" and "Man's Dual Nature." Sunday school, 10 m., H. F. Babcock, superintendent, Christian Endeavor, 6.45 p. m. All are welcome.

First Church of Christ (Scientist), 519 Adams avenue, Scranton.—Sunday services at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., subject: "Is the Universe, including man evolved by atomic force?" Testimonial meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m. All are

ings. Calvary Reformed church, Monro avenue and Gibson street .- Rev. M. L. Firor, pastor. Services 19:39 a. m., 7:39 p. m.; Sunday school, 11:39 a. m.; Chrisian Endeavor, 7 p. m. Gospel Tabernacle church, Jefferson avenue, Dunmore-Rev. James Leishman,

pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. by the pastor. Bible school at 12 oon. Young People's meeting at 6.30 p. m. Saturday evening, 8 o'clock, study of the Sunday school lesson at the pastor's nome, 1640 Madison avenue, meetings of the Christian and Missionary Hance. Sessions at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m. All Souis' Universalist Church, Pine street, between Adams and Jefferson avenues.—Rev. Thomas B. Payne, pastor. Divine service, with sermon, at 10:30 a. m., subject: "The Song of the Angels." Sunday school at 12 m. Seats free, 8

Strangers cordially welcomed. Evening service at Guernsey Hall. Gospel Hall, 504 Lackawanan avenue— Sunday school 12:15 p. m. Mr. Alrich will preach at 7:50 p. m. and also conduct a bible class on Monday at 7:45 p. m., for he study of the lesson and the Book of

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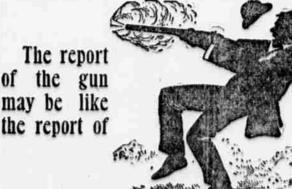
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