

INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER BIBLE STUDY CLUB.

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The Gospel in Samaria.—Acts viii:4-25.

Golden Text.—The people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracle which he did. Acts viii:6.

Verse 4.—What caused the "scattering abroad" of the Christian community?

Was the persecution of the church, headed by Saul, a blessing or a curse? Was this persecution according to God's first best plan?

When God's first, or original, plan is upset by an evil, is there any evidence to show that he uses that very evil to bring about that which he had planned to accomplish another way? (See case of Joseph also of Jesus.)

Verse 5.—Who was Philip?

Should the church, today, utilize laymen more in preaching the gospel? What did Philip preach at Samaria? What do you understand by Philip preaching Christ?

Verse 6-7.—How do you account for it, that the people turned to God with such unanimity?

Does the Holy Spirit always accompany the preaching of the gospel?

If Philip's congregation had been made up of 1909 ex-Sunday school scholars, would the result of his preaching have been different?

Verse 8.—What is the proof that Philip's converts were real, and what is the proof of the reality of every conversion?

Is joy a necessary accompaniment of conversion?

Verse 9-11.—What is or what was sorcery?

Is there any evidence to believe, that there are, or ever have been persons with the power claimed by witches, conjurers, fortune tellers and similar fakirs?

Verse 12.—Is it reasonable to believe that all who were baptized were genuine converts?

Verse 13.—What ever change may have come over him after, do you think Simon was really converted at this time?

What were then, and what are now, the conditions for the forgiveness of our sins, or conversion?

Verse 14-17.—At the time of the "scattering abroad" did all the Apostles remain at Jerusalem?

What was the purpose of sending Peter and John to Samaria, seeing they had just had a great revival?

Did Peter and John pray that these young converts might receive the Holy Spirit?

Did all the converts in Apostolic days, receive the Holy Spirit after their conversion?

Why was not the Holy Spirit given to the converts at Samaria when they were converted?

Is it the duty and privilege of every Christian to be conscious that the Holy Spirit dwells in him, and that he is Divinely guided in all things? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verse 18-24.—Are deceivers and tricksters apt to think that all others are like themselves?

Is it possible to obtain spiritual power with the purpose of making money out of it?

Is it possible that this Simon had been converted and that his love of fame, and of money, had led him to this evil?

Verse 25.—What is the only hope of getting the world converted?

Lesson for Sunday, March 7, 1909.—Philip and the Ethiopian. Acts viii:26-40.

In Aesop's Vein.

Said the Grocer's Scale to the Orange Peel,

"It would pleasure me much to know, sir,

What you are doing." Quoth the Peel,

"I'm lying in wait for the Grocer."

"Our weights are alike," the Scale replies,

"For, strangely as it appears,

To tell the truth (though speaking of lies),

I've been doing the same for years!"

—Kansas City Times.

When Bureau Drawers Stick.

To prevent bureau drawers from sticking wax the bearings. Use a good floor wax, rubbing it to a gloss. This is much better than the old, untidy way of using soap, which is rarely satisfactory, and, besides, the wax will not catch and hold dust and dirt as the soap would.

The February Election.

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To change road system from work to cash taxation.

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Registration Assessor—Wm. Johnston.

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Inspectors—Joseph Layton, Philip Finnegan.

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Inspectors of Election—Lewis Rauner, N. S. Gregg.

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Collector—S. E. Woodmansee.
Overseer—Henry Sheridan.
Treasurer—L. J. Monaghan.

Auditor—F. A. McKee.
Registration Assessor, 1st Dis.—J. Tully.
" 2d "—S. H. Lee.

Voted "yes" to change system of road taxation.

SCOTT No. 1.
Judge of Election—J. D. Whitmore.
Inspectors of Election—Andrew Melius, Wayne Lee.

Clerk—B. W. Raymond.
Supervisor—G. Simons and O. L. Burleigh, tie.

School Directors—John Thomas, Geo. Tarbox.
Collector—S. T. Smith.

Overseer—J. H. Smith.
Treasurer—Wm. Rockwell.
Auditor—T. Merrigan.

Registration Assessor—Otis Raymond.
Voted "no" on changing system of road taxation.

No. 2.
Judge of Election—Chas. Beauford.
Inspectors of Election—Archie Thorn, C. Tewksbury.

Registration Assessor—F. Merrigan.

Our Weather.
The American—I always try to wear clothes to conform to the weather.

The Briton—What are you—a lightning change artist?—New York Life.

Hairs.
Hairs are composed of scarf skin and are covered with thin, flat, overlapping scales, which is the reason why an eyelash or other hair in the eye irritates it so much.

The Harmonicon.
The wooden harmonicon is one of the most ancient instruments. It is at present found in a very primitive form all over Africa and in many parts of Asia and Oceania.

THE VALUE OF TEARS.

A Good Hearty Cry Often Leaves the Person Refreshed.

Tears are a valuable and incidental by a much abused means of relieving nervous tension. For relief their importance cannot be overestimated, but when they are allowed to flow to the extent of creating weakness they become a source of danger justifying heroic measures to stop. A little crying at times is excellent and has often saved the mind of more than one woman, but the crying habit is almost as deeply to be deplored as that of taking a drug.

In effect the results of the two are not very different. Excessive weeping weakens the mind and nerves as well as the character. It also taxes the physical strength, and a woman who allows herself to indulge in a burst of tears every time there is the slightest cause shows no more strength of mind and character than might be expected of a child.

One of the times when tears are justified is when a woman has been through a severe nervous strain of some kind and is wrought up to a point of exhaustion. But this point has by no means been reached simply because she is annoyed, for example, or has been disappointed. A child cries when refused candy. If a woman also sheds tears because she cannot have a new gown or go to the theater there is little to choose between the two individuals except that she is old enough to know better. No wise person permits the child to continue crying, and certainly the woman should not permit herself such outbursts.

Yet if she is experiencing great grief, whether it comes suddenly or after weeks, such as death through illness, tears for a time will help. But should she allow them to continue they will take from her strength just as surely as would the constant use of a drug.

This fact a woman who does not wish to belittle her mind and character should remember. Whining tears being squeezed out on the slightest provocation are unjustified. A good hearty cry that leaves the person refreshed and stronger none need object to.

A FRENCH DINING ROOM.

Color Scheme and Woodwork Suggest Stateliness.

The Parisian dining room is apt to have a light color scheme. In the illustration the woodwork is of white mahogany, while the walls are of French blue, which the dinner service matches, by the way.

Notice the beautiful carving on the sideboard and the pure Louis XIV. lines.



LOUIS XIV FURNISHING.

of the chairs, which are enriched by gilt ornaments and have the seats and backs of gilded cane work.

On the table there is a gilt centerpiece for flowers, which is in the true spirit of the period. Other touches of gilt occur in the electric light fixtures on the side walls and in the big center chandelier, which is very ornate.

R. DE LA BAUME.

Josephine and the Lace Handkerchief.
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