

Suggestive Questions on S. S. Lessons

THE PRIZES AGAIN

Our Bible Question Local Club is looking up and we are much encouraged. It is very remarkable how these questions interest, even the general public. It is a mistake to suppose, as some do, that this contest is confined exclusively to adults. Bright boys and girls can take up these simple studies, and may comply with the conditions as well as their seniors, and are just as likely to win a solid gold medal or one of the other prizes. The prime object of this Bible Question Club is to get old and young to reading the the Sunday School Lessons, and to ponder the Suggestive Questions. It must not be forgotten that in answering questions it is legitimate to get all the help which is necessary. Anybody can cut out and sign the coupon each week, and can read the lesson and the questions. This does not take skill, but it does take method, and it means the unspeakable benefit of reading these studies from week to week. You will find it to be a great benefit to join some Bible Class, and get the help and enthusiasm that comes from company.

In this connection we wish to say that we have nothing to do with awarding the prizes in this contest. They are furnished by the company that we get the service from, and the judges are appointed by the company. As the rules of the contest permit the contestants to secure help in answering the questions from any source they may choose, the editor of The Herald, who is a Sunday school teacher, will be permitted to furnish assistance to any who request it, and will be glad to do so. The readers of a large number of papers will contest for these prizes. We sincerely hope that some of them will be won by our readers, and will do all that we can to help them win.

You will need The Herald in order to read the questions and get the necessary coupons; you had better subscribe at once. If you are a subscriber, then send the paper to some person whom you think this course of reading will help. Send in your subscription now, and get the benefit of the special rate. Use the attached coupon.

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Two Parables of Judgment, Matt. xxi:33-46.

Golden Text—Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you. Matt. xxi:43.

Verse 23—Who does the "householder" represent in this parable?

Who do the husbandmen represent? What had God committed to the Jews, as a people, and what special things had he done for them?

What special responsibilities has God given to our nation? and to us as individuals? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verse 34—Can you give any case of God expecting, or demanding, fruit when He has not furnished the garden and the fruit trees?

What sort of fruit does God expect of us having regard to our responsibilities, and to what He has given us in the nature of seed?

From the suggestions of this parable, what kind of fruit did God expect of the Jewish nation?

Verses 35-36—What is the evidence that the Jews ever did anything to God's servants, corresponding to the statement in these two verses?

When God sent his prophets, to the Jews, did he plan for them to be rejected, or to be rejected?

Verses 37-39—What did God desire, and expect, of the Jews, when He sent Jesus to them with a message of love, in which were potential, political, and spiritual freedom?

What did the chief priests expect to accomplish when they caused Jesus to be crucified?

Verses 40-41—When God saw they had crucified Jesus was He pleased because His plans were carried out, or angry at them for thwarting His best plans? Give your reasons.

What is the evidence that God destroyed the Jews, their city, and their temple, because they rejected and slew His son?

In what way was the statement in the parable, "and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen," fulfilled?

If the Jews had accepted Jesus what would have been the probable result to them, and to the kingdom of God on the earth?

Verses 42-43—Here Jesus changes the figure from a vineyard to a building, what is the question, and where did Jesus quote from, concerning the stone which the builders rejected? (See Ps. 118:22-23.)

According to the thought of Jesus, who did the stone stand for which the builders rejected, and who were the builders?

Why did the builders reject this stone?

What is to-day the chief thought in theology, the chief inspiration in Christian poetry, the chief theme of the pulpit, the chief influence in character building, and the dominating influence in the church and the world?

Verse 44—What is the never failing result to individuals and nations who oppose Jesus Christ?

Verses 45-46—When the wickedness of the confirmed wicked is revealed to them by the faithful preacher, how do they generally feel toward him?

Lesson for Sunday, Sept. 11th, 1910. The King's Marriage Feast. Matt. xxii:1-14.

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The King's Marriage Feast, Matt. xxii:1-14.

Golden Text. Many are called, but few are chosen. Matt. xxii:14.

Verse 1—Read the preceding chapter and say whether Jesus answered their words or their thoughts.

Verse 2—What points of resemblance are there between the kingdom of heaven, and a king making a marriage feast for his son?

Who did Jesus mean the king, and the king's son to represent?

Who are the bride and the bridegroom in this wedding? (See Rev. 21:9.)

How does a marriage feast represent the gospel? (See Isa. 25:6. I Cor. 5:8. Rom. 14:17.)

Verse 3—Who were the first bidden to the gospel feast, and why did they not come?

By whom did God send out His first invitation?

Verses 4-6—What are the luxuries offered to us in the gospel?

Why did the world, and the Jewish church alike, refuse the gospel invitation?

What excuses do people make to-day for not coming to the gospel feast? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Which were the more pronounced in their refusal to come to the marriage feast of the gospel: the world, or the Jewish church?

What part did the world take, in assisting the then organized church, in slaying Jesus and the apostles?

What is the demerit of a backslider, corrupt priest or preacher, compared to a worldly man, in the matter of their rejection of the invitation to the gospel feast?

Verse 7—What armies, as a matter of fact, destroyed the murderers of God's servants, and laid Jerusalem in ruins?

Verses 8-10—To whom was the gospel message first sent, and why was it then so restricted? (See Chap. 10: 5-6.)

When was the invitation to this wedding feast first offered to the Gentiles? To what nations is the gospel invitation being offered to-day?

Why are the bad bidden, to this wedding feast, as well as the good?

Are there any so bad that the invitation is not intended for them?

About how many are living to-day, who have accepted the invitation to this gospel feast?

Verses 11-13—Who does this guest represent who did not have on a wedding garment?

What proportion of hypocrites, or unsaved persons, are to-day members of evangelical churches?

What is the portion of the sinner and the hypocrite?

God calls everybody; why are so few chosen?
 Lesson for Sunday, Sept. 18th, 1910. Three Questions. Matt. xxii:15-22.

Fruit for Fair.

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Washington Letter.

BY TAVENNER.

Washington, August 27.—President Taft is advising republican candidates for congress to promise the people further tariff revision, schedule by schedule, the basis of the revision to be equalization of the labor cost of production at home and abroad plus a reasonable profit for American manufacturers.

The platform on which Mr. Taft was elected, it is recalled, also promised to equalize "the cost of production at home and abroad", plus the reasonable profit.

Before considering new promises, many voters will ask: Was the first promise kept? Let us see:

Taking woolsens to begin with, President Taft himself admits failure.

What about cottons? Was the cotton schedule revised on the basis of equalization of "the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad"?

PLATFORM PROMISE IGNORED. The labor cost in the production of cotton manufactures in the United States is 26 per cent. (From report of Carroll D. Wright, U. S. Commissioner of Labor, Vol. 10.)

Granting that foreign goods have no labor cost whatever, 26 per cent would, therefore, have been the maximum average rate required to equalize the labor cost of production at home and abroad. If the labor cost abroad is one-half the labor cost at home, the rate of tariff required to prevent the foreign manufacturer from having the advantage of cheaper labor would be 26 per cent, the American cost, less 13 per cent, the European cost, or 13 per cent. Instead of an equalizing duty of any sort, the Aldrich crowd protected cotton manufacturers with a duty of from 35 per cent on handkerchiefs to 74 per cent on cotton cloths.

The following table, compiled for the writer by Prof. Josiah H. Shinn from the Special Census Reports for Manufactures, 1907, shows in a striking manner the failure of the Republicans to revise the tariff on the basis of equalization at home and abroad:

Article	Labor cost (per cent.)	Tariff rate (per cent.)
Ammunition	20	57
Automobiles	23	45
Rubber boots	12	30
Carpets	22	50 to 75
Chemicals	14	35 to 241
Men's clothing	16	37 to 134
Women's "	26	35 to 155
Coffins	20	35 to 60
Gloves	21	57
Wool hats	25	25 to 86
Stockings	23	30 to 76
Paints	7-3	25 to 83
Salt, bulk	21	90
Soap and candles	7	18 to 34
Stationery	16	25 to 138
Structural iron	21	36
Women's dress goods	14	70 to 155
Blankets	14	71 to 105

DOWNWARD REVISION PROMISED.

Promise of tariff revision on the basis of equalization of cost of production at home and abroad plus a reasonable profit was equal to a promise of a big revision downward.

Mr. Taft, however, affixed his signature to a tariff bill which revised the existing tariff upward at an average of approximately 1.71 per cent. Because of the failure of the president to make his promise good, 90,000,000 people are forced to stand a further increase in the cost of living.

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CONDENSED NEWS

Paul Mantegazza, the famous anthropologist, is dead at Spezia, Italy. He was born in 1831.

Former Governor David R. Francis of Missouri has filed his declaration as a candidate for the senate.

The population of Denver is 213,381, an increase of 79,522, or 59.4 per cent, as compared with 133,859 in 1900.

Workmen doing street work on Lake street in the very center of Reno, Nev., uncovered a ten-foot ledge of copper.

Herman De Lagercrantz, the Swedish minister to the United States, has been recalled. He was appointed in January, 1907.

The French newspapers print laudatory sketches of the late Professor William James, whose death they consider will cause a great loss to philosophy.

William A. Larned of New York retained the title of national champion by defeating T. C. Bundy of Los Angeles, winner of this year's lawn tennis tournament.

The annual reunion of Portuguese exiles from Madiera was held at Jacksonville, Ill. Five hundred descendants of the exiles were in attendance from central Illinois towns.

A reward of \$500 is offered by the war department for the capture of the robbers who carried off a safe and \$6,493.50 from Camp E. S. Otis, Wyoming, on the night of Aug. 9.

Cletus Willaman was found guilty at Canton, O., of murder in the first degree for the killing of Mr. and Mrs. Warren E. Koons. Mrs. Willaman's parents. The verdict carries with it the death sentence.

News of the death of Elliott Cole, president of the National Lead company, at Carlsbad, was received. Mr. Cole sailed from New York early in July in hopes of recovering his health. His death was unexpected.

While plowing on his father's land at Spa, Ky., David Coursey dug up a box containing \$500 in gold and notes, which were buried during the civil war. The money was in good condition and the notes looked as good as new.

Joseph Wess Moore, a paroled murderer convict, who left California to escape reincarceration, dropped dead at Indianapolis as he was about to board a car for Greenfield, Ind. Heart failure is said to have caused his death.

John, three-year-old child of David T. Wilson, died from the effects of carbolic acid given by mistake for castor oil on a prescription filled by a Richmond (Va.) druggist. The child lived twenty-four hours after taking the dose.

Army and navy surgeons have received reports of the preparation of a vaccine for the inhibition and cure of cancer by Dr. P. K. Gilman of the Philippine service. He has tried his vaccine on more than fifty cases, and of those twenty were successful.

W. E. Day of Des Moines was elected president of the Associated Fraternities of America. A. B. Talbot of Nebraska, president of the Modern Woodmen of America, was made vice president; C. H. Robinson of Chicago was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

A Brussels dispatch reports that after six years' waiting the love story of Princess Clementine of Belgium and Prince Victor Napoleon, the Imperialist pretender to the throne of France, is about to come to a happy climax, their marriage now being imminent.

Charges that the Pullman company is aiding the defense of Lee O'Neil Brown, minority leader of the Illinois legislature, in his trial on the charge of buying votes to elect William Lorimer to the United States senate were made in court by State's Attorney Wayman.

The Canadian General Methodist conference declared by an overwhelming majority in favor of a basis of church union, whereby the Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationalists in the Dominion may unite under one denomination to be known as the Union church.

Booker T. Washington, the negro educator, under the guidance of officials of the Anti-Slavery Aborigines' protection society, toured the east end of London to observe the conditions existing among the poorer classes. He will visit Andrew Carnegie at Skibo before proceeding to the continent.

There are 150,000 Americans in Europe who must be brought back to New York within the next two months and a half. At present every possible vessel that can be pressed into service is being lined up in Liverpool, London, Antwerp, Amsterdam, Havre and other main ports of the British Isles and the continent ready to load with a record list for this side.

Gives Secret Rates, Is Charge. New York, Aug. 20.—The International Union of Steam Engineers has begun proceedings before the public service commission against the New York Edison company, charging that by secret rates to big consumers the company is crushing out all private electric plants and small concerns. The union asserts the company's policy has resulted in throwing 500 to 1,000 engineers out of work.

Drowns in Sight of 5,000. Clinton, Ill., Aug. 30.—In sight of 5,000 at the Weldon Springs chalet, George Lyman drowned while bathing. He was student at the University of Illinois.

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