

SUGGESTIONS FOR SABBATH BIBLE SCHOOL  
ORGANIZATION

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Organization should consist of Superintendent  
Assistant Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer,  
and Teachers for the various classes.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR WORSHIP PROCEDURE

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1. Song selected by Superintendent.
2. Song, or Songs, selected by congregation.
3. Scripture Reading.
4. Prayer Service.
5. Song, while standing.
6. Ten Commandments in unison.
7. Reading of Missionary Report.
8. Teachers receive the offerings.
9. Study of the Scripture lesson.
10. Report by the Secretary.
11. Volunteer memory verses by congregation.
12. Announcements and remarks.
13. Closing song, and benediction.

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Lesson for April 3, 1948

SUBJECT: HEALING: CASTING OUT DEVILS

LESSON READING: Matthew 8.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 8:17.

1. Who was the first to be healed after Christ's sermon on the mount? Matt. 8:1-3.
2. Who next requested healing of Him? Vs. 5, 6.
3. What extraordinary faith did he exercise? Vs. 7-9.
4. How did Jesus regard this? What comment did he make? Vs. 10-12.
5. How was his faith rewarded? V. 13.

NOTE: This example should inspire faith in us whose faith is **small. Most of us have some degree of authority** on which to make our proposition for healing as did the centurion. Whether or not this is our case the promise of God stands sure.

6. Of what, and by what means was Peter's mother-in-law healed? Vs. 14, 15.
7. What is said of the amount of healing done when the evening was come? V. 16.
8. What prophecy was fulfilled in this act? V. 17; Isa. 53:3-6.
9. Was this accomplished by His divinity or humanity? Isa 61:1; Acts 10:38.

NOTE: Many who fail to heal certain sick take cover under "lack of faith" on the part of the sick. Jesus healed all who desired healing because He was anointed for that work. All who have the gift of healing will do the same as was demonstrated by **others of apostolic age; still others pray by faith** (James 5:14-16).

10. After this, who desired to follow Jesus? Matt. 8:19.
11. What was Jesus' reply? V. 20.
12. What other request was equally denied? Vs. 21, 22.

NOTE: Those who were dead in sin could well afford to bury their natural dead. Saving of souls was a more important work.

**13. What other incident followed?** What was the disciples thought as to what would be their lot? What request did they make of Him? Vs. 23-25.

14. What question did He put to them? What did He do? What was the result? V. 26.
15. Whom did He next meet? What was their attitude? V. 28.
16. What shows that they knew Christ? V. 29.
17. What was the devil's request? With what result? Vs. 31, 32.
18. How did the city folk regard this? Vs. 33, 34.

NOTE: This is a mute rebuke to those who rear swine for a living.

Lesson for April 10, 1948

SUBJECT: HEALING THE CRIPPLE: THE CALL OF MATTHEW

LESSON READING: Matthew 9:1-19.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 9:12.

1. After this, where did Jesus go? Matt. 9:1.
2. Who was brought to Him for healing? Instead of healing him, what did He say to him? V. 2.
3. Under what circumstances did he get to Jesus? Mark 2:1-5.
4. What did the scribes think of Him for forgiving sins? Vs. 6, 7; Matt. 9:3.
5. What did Jesus say of His authority to forgive sins? Vs. 4-6.
6. How did the multitude regard Him healing? Vs. 7, 8; Mark 2:12.

NOTE: If we would be like Jesus in power, we too would draw a multitude even as Jesus, the apostles and other prophets did. There is one thing only which Jesus did which we would not be able to do: that is to forgive sins. That was His divine prerogative, as God. Not being recognized as God by the scribes, they charged Him with blasphemy.

7. Whom did Jesus next call to follow Him? Matt. 9:9; Mark 2:14.

NOTE: The Matthew of Matt. 9:9 is the identical Levi of Mark 2:14.

8. In whose home did Jesus now sit at meat? Who sat with Him? Mark 2:15; Matt. 9:10.
9. What criticism did the Pharisees offer for this? V. 11.
10. How did Jesus meet this objection? V. 12.
11. What sickness did Jesus mean? V. 13, last part.

NOTE: Those who indulge in consulting physicians often use Matt. 9:12 to justify themselves. The Lord has never advised any of his people to seek the doctor. Jesus clearly indicates sickness of sin which needs repentance. It is the backslidden state of the church that counteracts the healing.

12. What question was now put to Him by John's disciples? V. 14.
13. How did He explain this? V. 15.
14. What illustration did He use to His questioners? Vs. 16, 17.

NOTE: Jesus was a comfort to His disciples so they needed not to fast. The new cloth and new wine represent the new doctrine which Christ was teaching them. To accept these new views would require new hearts. With this new experience the Pharisaical fastings would cease.

15. What request was put to Him at this point? V. 18.
16. What did Jesus do? V. 19.

NOTE: Jesus is able and is always willing to help those who exercise faith in Him, whether they be sinners or saints. Though not here in the flesh He is still interested in our sickness and troubles. Let's trust Him.

Lesson for April 17, 1948

SUBJECT: HEALING THE ISSUE OF BLOOD, THE BLIND MEN,  
THE DUMB

LESSON READING: Matt. 9:20-38.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 9:22.

1. After this who was the next to exercise great faith for healing? Matt. 9:20.
2. What experience did she have before this? Mark 5:25, 26.
3. What shows how much determination she had? Vs. 27, 28.
4. On touching Jesus, what was the result? V. 29.
5. Why did Jesus recognize this touch? What was His question? V. 30.
6. How did the disciples regard this question? V. 31.
7. How did the woman feel about it? V. 33.
8. What comforting words were spoken to her by Jesus? V. 34; Matt. 9:22.

NOTE: This is a unique experience in which one was healed without engaging the Master's attention; this is because of the virtues that were in Him. Adversely Peter and John through this virtue healed the man at the gate Beautiful when he did not expect healing.

9. What miracles followed the healing of the issue of blood? Vs. 23-25.
10. What did the two blind men desire of the Lord? V. 27.
11. How persistent were they in their desire to be healed? V. 28 first part.
12. What question did Jesus ask them? And their reply? V. 28, last part.
13. In healing them, what did He say? V. 29.
14. How did they regard the command to say nothing of their healing? V. 31.

NOTE: The blessing of healing brought a joy to their heart which could not be suppressed by the command of Jesus.

15. Who was next brought to Jesus for healing? V. 32.
16. What happened when the devil was cast out? V. 33.
17. What was the Pharisees' verdict on this? V. 34.
18. How was Jesus continually engaged? V. 35.
19. How did the spiritual condition of the people affect Him? Vs. 36, 37.

NOTE: Oh, that God would find men to use today for the healing of the sick and for the preaching of the Gospel! Men with the compassion of Jesus. This will not be possible until there is a revival of God's love in the heart, the sequence is that power will follow in the soul. Power for compassion, power for sympathy, power to weep over the sick as our Master wept for Mary and Martha at the grave of Lazarus.

REMEMBER THE MONTHLY OFFERING NEXT SABBATH

Lesson for April 24, 1948

SUBJECT: ORDINATION AND COMMISSION OF THE TWELVE

LESSON READING: Matt. 10:1-15.

MEMORY VERSES: Matt. 10:7, 8.

1. After this series of teaching and healing, what did Jesus do? Matt. 10:1.
2. After calling them, what did He do with them? Mark 3:13, 14.  
NOTE: According to previous lessons six of these disciples were called before these. These were called on the mount and with the former six were ordained, and commissioned. Here is established a precedent for church organization.
3. Memorize the names of the twelve. Give the names of the first and last? Matt. 10:2-4.
4. Give the surname and meaning which He gives to James and John? Mark 3:16, 17.
5. What restrictions were given them as to where they should preach? Matt. 10:5, 6.
6. Why were they not to go to other nations?  
ANSWER: Because Gentile time had not yet come according to Dan. 9:24. This would come after the confirmation of the covenant for one week or 7 years, which began at the beginning of Jesus' ministry, A. D. 27, and ended at A. D. 34, about the time of the stoning of Stephen.
7. What were the disciples commanded to preach? Vs. 7.
8. In addition to preaching what should they do? V. 8.
9. What provision should they not make? Why? Vs. 9, 10.
10. How were they to be cared for in the town or city? V. 11.
11. Under what conditions were they to accept lodgings? Vs. 12, 13.  
NOTE: It does not seem that their journey would cover a wide area, so they would not need changes of raiment, nor even money. Even today, if the preacher is successful in winning souls and healing the sick, people are glad to entertain and feed such ministers.
12. What were they to do if their message was rejected? V. 14.
13. How would such cities be compared with Sodom and Gomorrah? V. 15.  
NOTE: The Gospel by Jesus and the apostles was preached in power, which the people of the above mentioned cities did not see, hence their judgment will not be as severe. When Paul says, "If our gospel be hid, it is hid to those who are lost" (2 Cor. 3:4), he referred to that which he and others preached in power. In proof of this he says, "Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds."—2 Cor. 12:12.
14. How were they to receive this power? Acts 1:8; 2:1-4.

REMEMBER THE MONTHLY OFFERING TODAY!

Lesson for May 1, 1948

SUBJECT: PERSECUTION AND HARDSHIP IN THE MINISTRY

LESSON READING: Matt. 10:16-42.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 10:34.

1. What was the character of the people among whom the disciples were sent? How were they instructed to behave? Matt. 10:16.
2. To what would they be subject among this class? Vs. 17, 18.
3. What guarantee was given them under those conditions? Vs. 19, 20.
4. Who among the household would take part? V. 21.
5. By how many would they be hated? V. 22.
6. What were they to do when persecuted in one place? How much of this work would be done before the Lord would come? V. 23.  
NOTE: This coming evidently refers to the transfiguration.
7. What description does Peter give to His coming in this connection? 2 Peter 1:16-18.
8. How did Jesus show that His followers will not be immune from ill names and persecution? Matt. 10:24, 25.  
NOTE: Sheep do not fight, nor break fences, but will go through breaches, and get lost. So ministers should be sheeplike and dove-like even among wolves. Then, too, those who are anointed with the Spirit and live in the presence of God will be directed by the Spirit what to say before their persecutors.
9. What reason is given why they should not fear? V. 28.
10. How is His Father's great love for us illustrated? Vs. 29, 30.  
NOTE: It is lack of faith why we worry over troubles. It's time we recognize our value in the sight of God.
11. If we would be recognized before the Father in the end, what must we do now? Vs. 32, 33.  
NOTE: It is easier to confess Christ now than in those days. He is now an international figure, while in those days He was like an unknown quantity, unrecognized and scorned. But for His life and miracles no one would believe on Him.
12. What did Jesus say He came to do? Vs. 34-36.
13. What are the conditions of following Him? Vs. 37-39.  
NOTE: These are the crossroads to which every one who will be saved will be brought to be tested as a candidate for eternal life.
14. What is said when one receives the servant of the Lord? Vs. 40, 41.
15. What recognition is held out to those who do even little acts of kindness to His workers? V. 42.

Lesson for May 8, 1948

**SUBJECT: WATER INTO WINE; CLEANSING THE TEMPLE;  
THE PROPHET SIGN**

LESSON READING: John 2.

MEMORY VERSE: John 2:11.

1. What event took Jesus, His mother, and His disciples to Cana of Galilee? John 2:1, 2.
2. To what did His mother call His attention? V. 3.
3. What was Jesus' reply? V. 4.
4. How did His mother regard this seemingly unfavorable reply? V. 5.

NOTE: According to our idiom, this entire construction would be regarded as curt. The term "woman" however, was welcomed as an honorable address; this His mother understood and paved the way for obedience to His instructions to the servants.

5. How many waterpots were there available? V. 6.
6. What command did Jesus give? What was the result? V. 7.
7. What were they told to do next? V. 8.
8. When the governor of the feast tasted the wine, what charge did he make against the bridegroom? Vs. 9, 10.
9. What did this miracle reveal? What effect did it have upon the disciples? V. 11.

NOTE: Miracles, signs, and wonders are evidences of power, whether it be real or counterfeit. (Ex. 7:10-12).

10. After this, where did He, His disciples, and His mother go? How long did they stay there? V. 12.
11. Why did they not remain there for long? Mark 6:1-6.
12. On going to the Passover, what dishonorable procedure did He see? John 2:13, 14.
13. What did He do about it? V. 15, 16.
14. What did this act demonstrate? V. 17.

NOTE: Jesus was not an officer of the law; neither did He wear a uniform. By what authority then, did He accomplish this, was marvelous, and needed an explanation. This was nothing less than an exhibition of His divinity as in other cases where He forgave sins — a prerogative which only belongs to God.

15. What did the Jews now demand of Him? V. 18.
16. What was Jesus' reply? V. 19.
17. What shows that they failed to understand Him? Vs. 20, 21.
18. When did the disciples understand the above statement? Vs. 22.
19. What caused them to believe on Him at the Passover? V. 23.
20. What caution did He take there? Why was He so careful? Vs. 24, 25.

Lesson for May 15, 1948

**SUBJECT: THE NEW BIRTH: FAITH IN THE LORD JESUS**

LESSON READING: John 3.

MEMORY VERSE: John 3:8.

1. Who were those attracted to Jesus through His miracles at the Passover? What statement did he make to Jesus? John 3:1, 2.
2. Jesus, realizing His needs, to what did He direct His attention? V. 3.
3. What shows that Nicodemus was puzzled at this? V. 4.
4. How did Jesus stress the importance of His message? V. 5.
5. What illustration did He use to impress this lesson? Vs. 6-8.

NOTE: The expression "we know" infers that Nicodemus did not seek the Lord for himself alone. Jesus had just revealed His glory at Cana of Galilee and here at the Passover His power as the Divine representative was disclosed. The Pharisaical class was not humble enough to seek Him by day, so, this ruler came by night. He was just as puzzled then as many are today as to what constitutes the new birth; yet Jesus says this experience is the only way to the kingdom.

6. With all this experience, what did Nicodemus ask? V. 9.
7. How did Jesus close the enquiry? Vs. 10-13.
8. What other phase of teaching did Jesus introduce? Vs. 14, 15.
9. What was the object of God giving His Son to the world? V. 16.
10. If faith in Christ brings salvation, what is it that brings condemnation? Vs. 17-19.

NOTE: It is not only because man has sinned that he will be condemned, but because of his refusal to believe to the saving of his soul. Faith in Christ leads to repentance; unbelief leads to condemnation.

11. To what place did Jesus and His disciples next go? V. 22.
12. Where was John at this time? V. 23.
13. What message did John's disciples take to Him? Vs. 25, 26.
14. What was John's reply? Vs. 27-30.
15. In what words did John express his recognition of Christ as from above? V. 31.
16. Of what did he say Christ testified? V. 32.
17. How did he say that one would demonstrate that God is true? V. 33.
18. In what words did John close his reply to them? Vs. 34-36.

NOTE: This chapter is one of the richest of the Gospel. The messages are given in simple language yet deep in their significance.

Lesson May 22, 1948

SUBJECT: ASSURANCE TO JOHN: REPROOF TO DIS-  
OBEDIENT CITIES

LESSON READING: Matthew 11.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 11:11.

1. After commissioning the disciples, where did Jesus go to labor? Matt. 11:1.
2. Where was John at this time? Whom did he send to Jesus? V. 2.
3. What were they sent to find out? V. 3.
4. What evidence did He give of His Messiahship? Vs. 4, 5.

NOTE: In time of trouble it is inherent that the old Adam of doubt should assert itself. So, John imprisoned, apparently with shrinking faith, made sure by sending to know whether Jesus was the Christ; for if He was, why was he imprisoned by an alien king, seeing Messiah was to restore all things? The evidence Jesus gave was tangible, convincing, and strictly within the framework of prophecy. (Isa. 61:1-5).

5. After asking a few questions, what did He say to the multitude about John? Vs. 7-11.

NOTE: Of the three dispensations: Patriarchal, Levitical, Christian, the Christian is the greatest, as those who are saved in this constitute the body of Christ, the Bride. Others in the kingdom will be the guests of the Bride, and include all the other saints of the ages.

6. What relationship did He say men bear to the kingdom since John's days? Vs. 12, 13; Luke 16:16.
7. To whom was John likened? Matt. 11:14; 17:10-13.
8. How did Jesus describe the people to whom He and John preached? Matt. 11:16, 17.
9. Why did He thus describe them? Vs. 18, 19.
10. Why did He reprove the cities in which He preached? What will be their lot in the judgment? Vs. 20-24.
11. For what did Jesus give thanks at this time? Vs. 25, 26.
12. Upon what did He say knowing the Father and Himself depended? V. 27.
13. What invitation did Jesus extend to the weary? V. 28.
14. What were they invited to take on them? For what purpose? What experience would this bring? Vs. 29, 30.

NOTE: The world in its state of unrest needs Soul's rest, in which state the burden of sin is lifted and communion with Christ is established.

**REMEMBER THE MONTHLY OFFERING NEXT SABBATH**

Lesson for May 29, 1948

SUBJECT: HIS WORKS ON THE SABBATH: THE UNPARDON-  
ABLE SIN

LESSON READING: Matt. 12:1-37.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 12:31.

1. What took place as Jesus and His disciples walked through the corn fields on the Sabbath day? Matt. 12:1.
2. What did the Pharisees have to say of this? V. 2.
3. What two examples did Jesus cite to justify this act? Vs. 2-5.
4. How did Jesus conclude His reply? Vs. 6-8.
5. How did they further seek to accuse Him? V. 10.
6. What was His reply? Vs. 11, 12.
7. What did Jesus do? V. 13.

NOTE: Here Sabbath opposers tell us that Jesus and His disciples broke the Sabbath. This would make them sinners? As such Jesus could not save us. This lesson teaches us just what is permissible on the Sabbath day which makes Sabbath-keeping a pleasure instead of a burden.

8. What step did the Pharisees then take? V. 14.
9. When Jesus knew this, what did He do? What prophecy was fulfilled in this? Vs. 13-21.
10. Who was next brought to Him? What was done to him? V. 22.
11. What was the verdict of the Pharisees when they heard it? V. 24.
12. In answering, what did Jesus say of a divided kingdom or city? And of Satan? Vs. 25, 26.
13. What proposition and question did He put to them? V. 27.
14. What conclusion did He draw? Vs. 28-30.
15. What did He say is the sin of blasphemy against the Holy Ghost? Vs. 31, 32.

NOTE: Many speculate as to what this sin is. This need not be when the context is studied. The Holy Spirit is the only medium through whom God works to save man. If we, like the Pharisees, knowingly appropriate His work to the work of Beelzebub, as in the above case, we would be guilty of this dreadful sin. When once He is so grieved away the means of communication will be forever cut off between us and God, hence there can be no forgiveness for it.

16. By what is a tree known? V. 33.
17. What generation did He say they were? Through whom do we produce good or evil fruits? Vs. 34, 35.
18. What did He say of our idle words? Why is this? Vs. 36, 37.

**REMEMBER THE MONTHLY OFFERING TODAY!**

Lesson for June 5, 1948

SUBJECT: THE SIGN OF HIS MESSIAHSHIP

LESSON READING: Matt. 12:38-50.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 12:40.

1. What two classes of men continue to press Christ for a sign? Matt. 12:38.
2. To what did Christ liken them for doing this? To what sign did He refer them? V. 39.
3. In what way would Jonah be a sign to them? V. 40.
4. What does Bible history say of Jonah and the whale? **Jonah** 1:1-3.
5. By what other name is the belly of the fish called? Ch. 2:1, 2.
6. What name is given to the heart of the earth where Christ was placed for three days and three nights? **Psa. 16:10.**

NOTE: This is one of the mysteries of the kingdom which we are given to know. It is impossible to get three days and three nights from Friday afternoon to Sunday before daylight, as we are given from Babylon's cup.

7. When was Christ really risen? **Matt. 28:1-5.**
8. On what preparation day was He buried? **John 19:13, 14, 30, 31.**

NOTE: Of the four Gospel writers, only John makes known on what preparation day He was crucified and buried as the above shows.

9. Whom did Jesus say would rise up against that generation? Why? How was He compared with Jonah? **Matt. 12:41.**
  10. Who else would be a witness against that generation? Why? How was He compared with Solomon? **V. 42.**
  11. What illustration did He use to impress the importance of entertaining the Spirit of God when one is cleansed? **Vs. 43-45.**
- NOTE: The Jews were the first called, cleansed, and made custodians of the Gospel. By their constant rebellion against the Spirit of God they became a national vacuum, which since then has become filled with seven other evil spirits more wicked than the first, and which has resulted in their rejection.
12. How long will their blindness last? **Rom. 11:25.**
  13. Now that the fulness of the Gentile time is come, what may we expect? **V. 26.**
  14. Who sought to speak with Jesus at this time? **Matt. 12:46.**
  15. When His attention was called, what did He ask? **Vs. 47, 48.**
  16. To whom did He point as His mother and brethren? **V. 49.**
  17. On what basis is the family relationship calculated? **V. 50.**

Lesson for June 12, 1948

SUBJECT: THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

LESSON READING: Matt. 13:1-23.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 13:11.

1. Where was Jesus next found? **Matt. 13:1.**
2. What did He do in order to address the multitude? **V. 2.**
3. What method of teaching did He adopt? **V. 3.**
4. Where did the first seed fall? What was the result? **V. 4.**
5. On what did the second seed fall? What finally happened to these seedlings? **Vs. 5, 6.**
6. What is said of the lot of the third seed? **V. 7.**
7. On what ground did the last lot fall? What harvest did this bring? **V. 8.**

NOTE: We observe that the sower did not deliberately sow the seeds on unfavourable grounds. The seeds "fell" on these grounds. For his part all would be sown on good grounds. So it is in sowing Gospel seeds. All our efforts are not always crowned with success but let's keep sowing.

8. What did the disciple desire to know? **V. 10.**
9. What reason did Jesus give for this method? **V. 11.**
10. What law governs the ability to receive and to lose? **Vs. 12, 13.**

NOTE: This is a law of opportunity. The Jews were the first kingdom of priests (**Ex. 12:6**). They became blinded through disobedience and unbelief so that they lost even what they had, while the few called-out ones among them received in abundance.

11. What prophecy was fulfilled in this connection? **Vs. 14, 15.**
  12. Why was a blessing pronounced on the disciples? **V. 16.**
  13. What advantage did they have above other prophets? **V. 17.**
  14. Name some things the disciples saw (Answer from general knowledge.)
- not responsible for the various hearts in which the Word falls.
15. Give the meaning of the seeds by the way side. **V. 19.**
  16. What do the seeds on stony grounds represent? **Vs. 20, 21.**
  17. What represents the thorns? **V. 22.**
  18. Who are those represented by the good ground? **V. 23.**
  19. What is said of those who sow in tears? **Psa. 126:5.**
- NOTE: The preacher's work is to sow beside all waters. He is We thank God for the good ground, for it brings encouragement to us while we labor and see the fruits thereof.
20. What is said of those who sow in tears? **Psa. 126:5.**
  21. What will be the experience of those who work and weep for sinners? **V. 6.**

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Lesson for June 19, 1948

Song  
Song Standing  
Prayer  
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Special  
Reading

SUBJECT: THE WHEAT AND TARES: THE MUSTARD SEED:  
THE LEAVEN

LESSON READING: Matt. 13:24-43.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 13:38.

1. By what method did Jesus continue His teaching? To what did He liken the kingdom? Matt. 13:24.
2. What did He say happened while men slept? V. 25.
3. At what time were the tares discerned? V. 26.
4. What two questions were put to the householder? V. 27.
5. What was the reply? What was the informer's desire? V. 28.
6. Why was this suggestion impractical? V. 29.
7. Until what time did He suggest the tares should remain? What would be done to them, then? V. 30.

NOTE:: It was the custom of the East to sow tares in an enemy's field to reduce the production of the wheat crop. The Lord uses this to show how Satan sends folk into the organization of the church (not into the church) with an ulterior motive to subvert the souls of the earnest ones. These do not go into outright sin; their work is to undermine. These appear to be innocent to many; thus if they are removed from the church others are offended and are pulled out with them. These must be allowed to remain till the harvest for destruction.

8. What lesson may we learn from the parable of the mustard seed? Vs. 31, 32.
9. What lesson is the leaven designed to teach? V. 33.
10. Why did Jesus teach in parables? Vs. 34, 35.

NOTE:: The interpretation of the mustard seed and tares are not given. It is conceded that they are used to illustrate the small beginning of the Gospel work and its capacity to spread in great proportion by those who have given themselves to God.

11. What did Jesus do next? What request did the disciples make of Him? V. 36.
12. Whom did He say represents the sower? V. 37.
13. Give the meaning of the field, the good seed, and the tares? V. 38.
14. Tell who is the enemy, what is the harvest, and who are the reapers. V. 39.
15. What will be the end of those represented by the tares? Vs. 40-42.
16. How will the wheat class be rewarded in the end? V. 43.

NOTE: We need not be tares. A plunge in Calvary's fountain will settle the old account of sin and make us wheat for God.  
**REMEMBER THE MONTHLY OFFERING NEXT SABBATH**

Acts 5:29

Lesson for June 26, 1948

SUBJECT: SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY

LESSON READING: 1 Cor. 9:1-23.

MEMORY VERSES 1 Cor. 9:13, 14.

1. In continuing his letter to the Corinthians, with what four questions is this chapter opened? 1 Cor. 9:1.
2. What was his proof of apostleship among them? V. 2.
3. What potent questions did he ask those who questioned his right to financial privilege? Vs. 3-5.
4. What did he and Barnabas have power to do? V. 6.
5. By what questions did he appeal to their reason? V. 7.
6. Whom did he quote as authority for this conclusion? Vs. 8, 9.
7. For whose sake was this written? V. 10.
8. Why was it logical for him to reap their carnal things? V. 11.
9. If that was so, why did not he and Barnabas use that privilege? V. 12.

NOTE: Although the Corinthian church had a high spiritual attainment, still there were individuals (tares) there posing as ministers for filthy lucre's sake. For this reason Paul did not accept financial support from that church, lest he and Barnabas be classed in that category.

10. What other questions did Paul put to them? V. 13.
11. What conclusion did he draw from this? V. 14.

NOTE: This verse is distorted to apply to all professional ministers of the Gospel. It does not. It applies only to those who are saved from their sins and have a burden for saving others.

12. What other reason did he give for not accepting financial support? V. 15.
13. In what material state did he find himself while preaching? Despite this condition, how did he express his regard for his responsibility? V. 16.
14. This being so, what did he conclude? Vs. 17-19.
15. Was he altogether right for this attitude? 2 Cor. 12:13.

NOTE: The church or individual child of God who does not support the ministry by tithes and offerings not only robs God (Mal. 3:8-10) but is inferior to other churches and other children of God.

16. To be successful in the ministry, to what did Paul adopt himself? 1 Cor. 9:20-23.
17. With what admonitions did he close for a successful career? Vs. 24-27.

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