

Children Sabbath School Lesson #132 for 6-20-2015
Song for opening the Sabbath School:

Hymn # Sitting At the Feet of Jesus!

Sitting at the feet of Jesus, Oh, what words I hear Him say! Happy place! So near, so precious! May it find me there each day. Sitting at the feet of Jesus, I would look upon the past; For His love has been so gracious, It has won my heart at last.	Sitting at the feet of Jesus, Where can mortal be more blest? There I lay my sins and sorrows And, when weary, find sweet rest. Sitting at the feet of Jesus, There I love to weep and pray, While I from His fullness gather Grace and comfort every day.	Bless me, O my Savior, bless me, As I sit low at Thy feet. Oh, look down in love upon me; Let me see Thy face so sweet. Give me, Lord, the mind of Jesus; Make me holy as He is. May I prove I've been with Jesus, Who is all my righteousness.
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Opening Prayer – requesting one of the little ones or mommies or daddies to give prayer

Lesson #132: “Levi-Matthew”

Matthew 9:9 (KJV)

And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

*This week boys and girls, we will begin a new chapter entitle, “Levi-Matthew”
of our study book Desire of Ages!*

Luke 5:27 (KJV)

And after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me.

Luke 5:28 (KJV)

And he left all, rose up, and followed him.

Luke 5:29 (KJV)

And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.

Luke 5:30 (KJV)

But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?

Luke 5:31 (KJV)

And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

Luke 5:32 (KJV)

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Luke 22:35 (KJV)

And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

Let's continue in our book Desire of Ages, Chapter #28, page 272-274

Of the Roman officials in Palestine, none were more hated than the publicans. The fact that the taxes were imposed by a foreign power was a continual irritation to the Jews, being a reminder that their independence had departed. And the taxgatherers were not merely the instruments of Roman oppression; they were extortioners on their own account, enriching themselves at the expense of the people. A Jew who accepted this office at the hands of the Romans was looked upon as betraying the honor of his nation. He was despised as an apostate, and was classed with the vilest of society. {DA 272.1}

To this class belonged Levi-Matthew, who, after the four disciples at Gennesaret, was the next to be called to Christ's service. The Pharisees had judged Matthew according to his employment, but Jesus saw in this man a heart open for the reception of truth. Matthew had listened to the Saviour's teaching. As the convicting Spirit of God revealed his sinfulness, he longed to seek help from Christ; but he was accustomed to the exclusiveness of the rabbis, and had no thought that this Great Teacher would notice him. {DA 272.2}

Question: What were the taxgatherers besides being the instruments of Roman oppression? And, who belonged to this class, who, after the four disciples at Gennesaret, was the next to be called to Christ's service?

Answer: They were extortioners on their own account, enriching themselves at the expense of the people. And, to this class belonged Levi-Matthew.

Sitting at his toll booth one day, the publican saw Jesus approaching. Great was his astonishment to hear the words addressed to himself, "Follow Me." {DA 273.1}

Matthew "left all, rose up, and followed Him." There was no hesitation, no questioning, no thought of the lucrative business to be exchanged for poverty and hardship. It was enough for him that he was to be with Jesus, that he might listen to His words, and unite with Him in His work. {DA 273.2}

So it was with the disciples previously called. When Jesus bade Peter and his companions follow Him, immediately they left their boats and nets. Some of these disciples had friends dependent on them for support; but when they received the Saviour's invitation, they did not hesitate, and inquire, How shall I live, and sustain my family? They were obedient to the call; and when afterward Jesus asked them, "When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye anything?" they could answer, "Nothing." **Luke 22:35.** {DA 273.3}

Question: How did Matthew respond to the call of Jesus to follow Him? And, how was it with the disciples who were previously called?

Answer: Great was his astonishment to hear the words, "Follow Me." Matthew "left all, rose up, and followed Him." There was no hesitation, no questioning, no thought of the lucrative business to be exchanged for poverty and hardship. And, immediately they left their boats and nets.

Song: *Let's learn a beautiful scripture song together dear ones, from the book **Isaiah!***

Isaiah 60:1(KJV)

Arise, shine; for thy light is come,
and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.
Arise, shine; for thy light is come,
and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

To Matthew in his wealth, and to Andrew and Peter in their poverty, the same test was brought; the same consecration was made by each. At the moment of success, when the nets were filled with fish, and the impulses of the old life were strongest, Jesus asked the disciples at the sea to leave all for the work of the gospel. So every soul is tested as to whether the desire for temporal good or for fellowship with Christ is strongest. {DA 273.4}

Principle is always exacting. No man can succeed in the service of God unless his whole heart is in the work and he counts all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ. No man who makes any reserve can be the disciple of Christ, much less can he be His colaborer. When men appreciate the great salvation, the self-sacrifice seen in Christ's life will be seen in theirs. Wherever He leads the way, they will rejoice to follow. {DA 273.5}

Question: What did Jesus ask the disciples at the sea? And, how can a man succeed in the service of God?

Answer: To leave all for the work of the gospel. So every soul is tested as to whether the desire for temporal good or for fellowship with Christ is strongest. And, unless his whole heart is in the work and he counts all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ.

Song: *Let's learn another scripture song together dear ones, from the **book of Matthew!***

Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

But seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia! A-lle-lu-ia! A-lle-lu-ia!

(In French)

Cherchez d'abord le royaume de Dieu et sa justice,
Et toutes choses vous seront données en plus.
Allelu, Alleluia! A-lle-lu-ia! A-lle-lu-ia!

The calling of Matthew to be one of Christ's disciples excited great indignation. For a religious teacher to choose a publican as one of his immediate attendants was an offense against the religious, social, and national customs. By appealing to the prejudices of the people the Pharisees hoped to turn the current of popular feeling against Jesus. {DA 273.6}

Among the publicans a widespread interest was created. Their hearts were drawn toward the divine Teacher. In the joy of his new discipleship, Matthew longed to bring his former associates to Jesus. Accordingly he made a feast at his own house, and called together his relatives and friends. Not only were publicans included, but many others who were of doubtful reputation, and were proscribed by their more scrupulous neighbors. {DA 273.7}

Question: Why did the call of Matthew to be one of Christ's disciples excite great indignation? And, what widespread interest was created among the publicans?

Answer: For a religious teacher to choose a publican as one of his immediate attendants was an offense against the religious, social, and national customs. And, their hearts were drawn toward the divine Teacher.

The entertainment was given in honor of Jesus, and He did not hesitate to accept the courtesy. He well knew that this would give offense to the Pharisaic party, and would also compromise Him in the eyes of the people. But no question of policy could influence His movements. With Him external distinctions weighed nothing. That which appealed to His heart was a soul thirsting for the water of life. {DA 274.1}

Jesus sat as an honored guest at the table of the publicans, by His sympathy and social kindness showing that He recognized the dignity of humanity; and men longed to become worthy of His confidence. Upon their thirsty hearts His words fell with blessed, life-giving power. New impulses were awakened, and the possibility of a new life opened to these outcasts of society. {DA 274.2}

At such gatherings as this, not a few were impressed by the Saviour's teaching who did not acknowledge Him until after His ascension. When the Holy Spirit was poured out, and three thousand were converted in a day, there were among them many who first heard the truth at the table of the publicans, and some of these became messengers of the gospel. To Matthew himself the example of Jesus at the feast was a constant lesson. The despised publican became one of the most devoted evangelists, in his own ministry following closely in his Master's steps. {DA 274.3}

Question: What did appeal to Jesus's heart? How did the words of the Saviour fall upon the thirsty hearts of guests at the table of the publicans?

Answer: That which appealed to His heart was a soul thirsting for the water of life. And with blessed, life-giving power. New impulses were awakened, and the possibility of a new life opened to these outcasts of society.

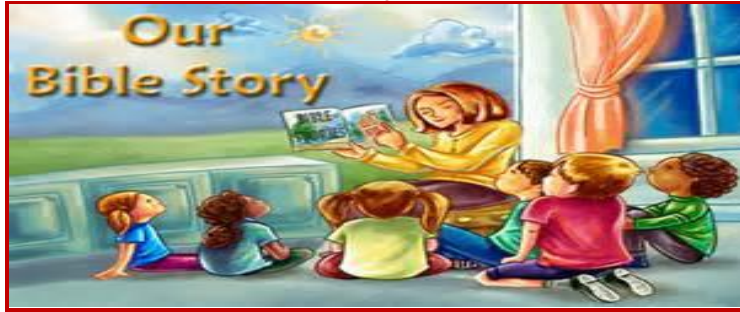
Song: *Let's learn our last scripture song dear ones, from the book of Isaiah!*

Isaiah 44:3 (KJV)

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty,
and floods upon the dry ground:

I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring:

Gather the little ones together!
It's Story Time!



Our book selection this Sabbath is entitled, “Sons and Daughters of God”
Chapter 2- Christ Magnified the Law and Made It Honorable
Narrated by our dear Brother Graves!

The Lord is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make it honourable. Isaiah 42:21. {SD 48.1}

The law of God's government was to be **magnified** by the death of God's only begotten Son. Christ bore the guilt of the sins of the world. Our sufficiency is found only in the **incarnation** and death of the Son of God. He could suffer, because sustained by divinity. He could endure, because He was without one taint of **disloyalty** or sin. Christ **triumphed** in man's behalf in thus bearing the justice of punishment. He secured eternal life to men, while He exalted the law, and made it honorable. {SD 48.2}

Every soul is under **obligation** to follow in the footsteps of Christ, the great example for the human family. He said, "I have kept my Father's commandments." The Pharisees thought that He was seeking to lessen the claims of the law of God, but His voice rang out upon their ears saying, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy but to **fulfil**. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." {SD 48.3}

Christ came to magnify the law and to make it **honorable**; He came to **extol** the old commandment which ye had from the beginning. Then we need the law and the prophets. We need the Old Testament to bring us down along the line to the New Testament, which does not take the place of the Old Testament, but more **distinctly** reveals to us the plan of salvation, giving **significance** to the whole system of sacrifices and offerings, and to the word which we had from the beginning. Perfect obedience is enjoined upon every soul, and obedience to the expressed will of God will make you one with Christ. . . . Of Him it is written, "Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me, I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart." {SD 48.4}

Next Week We will continue with part 2 in our lesson entitled, “Levi-Matthew” of our book “Desire of Ages”

Closing Prayer – request one of the little ones or mommies or daddies to give prayer.

Next Sabbath: Chapter 28 “Levi-Matthew”, Part 2 Sabbath June 27, 2015.

Have a Blessed Sabbath dear one, and enjoy your activities. God Bless!
Children Sabbath School
Lesson #132



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Word Search Puzzle

G J M K Y P H E I B L C T O I N T P A T
 L A U N I T N O C T J A E S N O N A P N
 S R E N O I T R O T X E N S D I E L O O
 T D E O O R E H R G B O W E E T M E S I
 E U B O A F A N A B I U Y X P A H S T T
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 S B R Q B T E R A S N S C N O S K C O E
 T E T N E M Y O L P M E S E S R W A N X
 T C O M P A N I O N S L U C R A T I V E
 D E S O P M I S O C I E T Y C I L O P F

ACCOUNT
 APOSTATE
 ASTONISHMENT
 BADE
 BOOTH
 COMPANIONS
 CONTINUAL
 DISTINCTIONS
 EMPLOYMENT
 EXCLUSIVENESS

EXPENSE
 EXTORTIONERS
 FOREIGN
 GENNESARET
 HARDSHIP
 HESITATION
 IMPOSED
 INDEPENDENCE
 INSTRUMENTS
 IRRITATION

JEWS
 LEVI-MATTHEW
 LUCRATIVE
 OFFICIALS
 OPPRESSIONS
 PALESTINE
 POLICY
 POVERTY
 PREVIOUSLY
 PUBLICANS

RABBIS
 RECEPTION
 REMINDER
 ROMAN
 SINFULNESS
 SOCIETY
 TAXES
 TAXGATHERERS
 TOLL
 VILEST

40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.

Cryptogram Puzzle #1

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
9				13	22		8	26				11	24	17			10	5	7						25

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F R O M T H E N E , H E S A A M A N ,
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N A M E M A T T H E , S I T T I N A T
 24 9 11 13 4 11 9 7 7 8 13 12 5 26 7 7 26 24 1 9 7
T H E R E E I T O F S T O M : A N
 7 8 13 10 13 3 13 26 15 7 17 22 3 20 5 7 17 11 9 24 4
H E S A I T H N T O H I M , F O O
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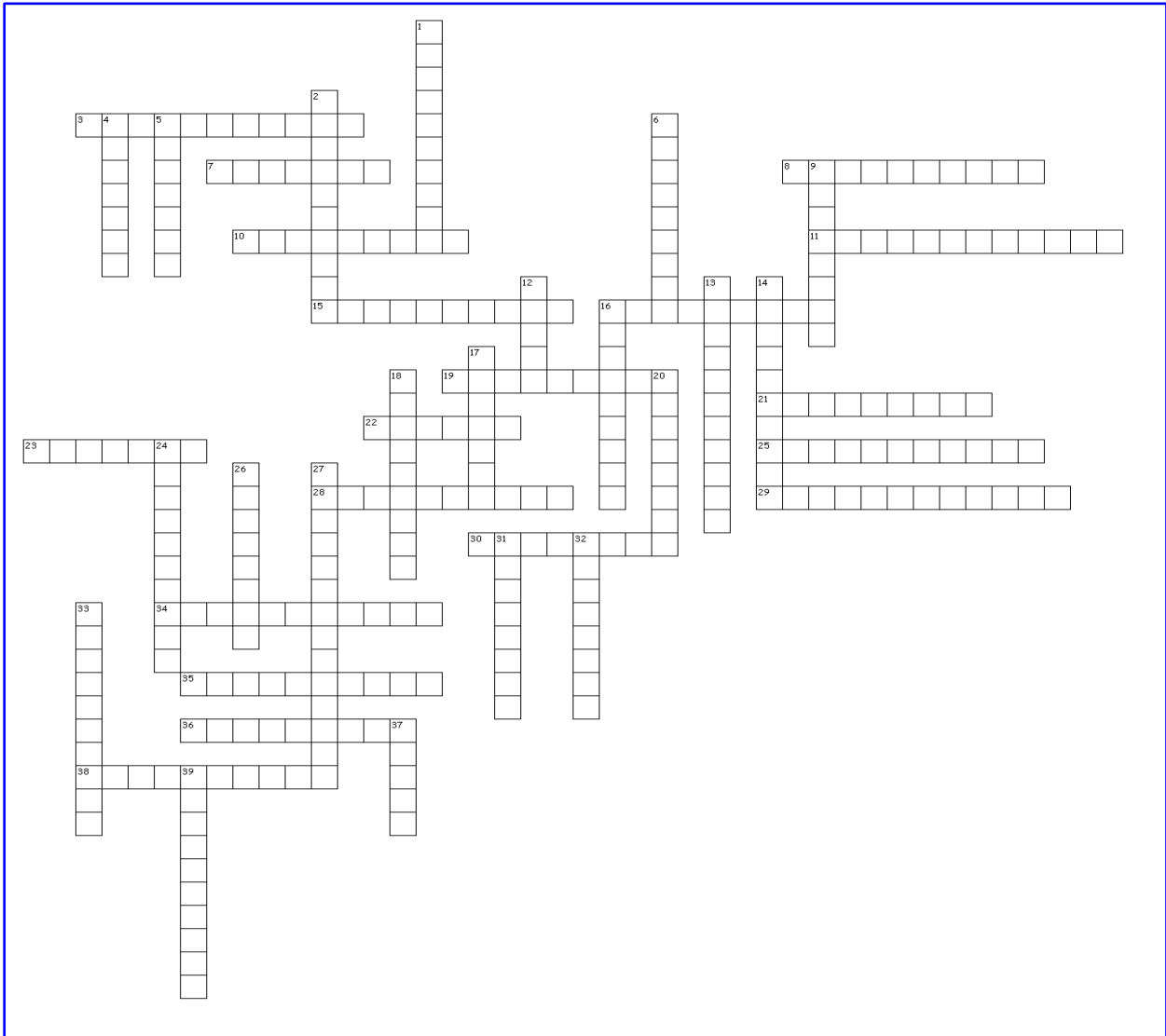
Cryptogram Puzzle #2

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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N O T H I N .
 11 4 5 17 26 11 3

Unscramble each cryptogram of the clue words.
 The character style to solve the two cryptogram puzzles phrase is by Number
There clues are on page #1

Crisscross Puzzle



APPEALING
 APPRECIATE
 ASCENSION
 ASSOCIATES
 ATTENDANTS
 AWAKENED
 COLABORER
 COMPROMISE
 CONSECRATION
 DEPENDENT

DISCIPLESHP
 EVANGELISTS
 EXACTING
 EXCELLENCY
 FELLOWSHIP
 GOSPEL
 IMMEDIATELY
 IMPULSES
 INDIGNATION
 INVITATION

KNOWLEDGE
 NATIONAL
 OFFENSE
 OUTCASTS
 PHARISAIC
 POSSIBILITY
 PREJUDICES
 PRINCIPLE
 PURSE
 RELATIVES

REPUTATION
 RESERVE
 SCRIP
 SCRUPULOUS
 SELF-SACRIFICE
 SUCCESS
 SUPPORT
 SUSTAIN
 TEMPORAL
 WIDESPREAD

40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.

Activities Answer Key

Word Search Puzzle

Solution

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+ + + + + H + + + + T + I N T P A +
L A U N I T N O C + + A + S N O N A P N
S R E N O I T R O T X E N S D I E L O O
+ + + O O R + H + G + O + E E T M E S I
+ + B + A F A N A + I + Y X P A H S T T
E + W B + R F T G T T L + A E T S T A P
+ X B E D O H I C I S O + T N I I T E
S I C S H E P N C U E + L P D S N N E C
S S H L R T I P O I + R U L E E O E I E
R I E E U T T I R G A B O + N H T + R R
P E R N S S V A E E L L E F C + S + R +
P S M I L E I N M I S S S + E + A T I +
V O D I R U N V C I N S T R U M E N T S
I + V P N E F A E E V N I J E W S U A B
L + + E S D N N P N + E A O + + + O T A
E + + A R S E X I + E + L M N + + C I D
S + R + + T E R + S + S + + O S + C O E
T E T N E M Y O L P M E S + + R + A N +
T C O M P A N I O N S L U C R A T I V E
D E S O P M I S O C I E T Y C I L O P +

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(Over, Down, Direction)

ACCOUNT (18, 18, N)
 APOSTATE (19, 1, S)
 ASTONISHMENT (17, 12, N)
 BADE (20, 14, S)
 BOOTH (3, 5, NE)
 COMPANIONS (2, 19, E)
 CONTINUAL (9, 2, W)
 DISTINCTIONS (3, 13, NE)
 EMPLOYMENT (12, 18, W)
 EXCLUSIVENESS (1, 6, SE)

EXPENSE (7, 17, NE)
 EXTORTIONERS (12, 3, W)
 FOREIGN (14, 11, NW)
 GENNESARET (10, 10, SW)
 HARDSHIP (8, 4, SW)
 HESITATION (16, 10, N)
 IMPOSED (7, 20, W)
 INDEPENDENCE (15, 1, S)
 INSTRUMENTS (10, 13, E)
 IRRITATION (19, 9, S)

JEWS (14, 14, E)
 LEVI-MATTHEW (13, 16, NW)
 LUCRATIVE (12, 19, E)
 OFFICIALS (5, 4, SE)
 OPPRESSIONS (6, 7, SE)
 PALESTINE (18, 1, S)
 POLICY (19, 20, W)
 POVERTY (1, 12, SE)
 PREVIOUSLY (4, 14, NE)
 PUBLICANS (14, 8, SW)

RABBIS (6, 4, SW)
 RECEPTION (20, 10, N)
 REMINDER (1, 10, SE)
 ROMAN (16, 18, NW)
 SINFULNESS (10, 17, NW)
 SOCIETY (8, 20, E)
 TAXES (14, 7, N)
 TAXGATHERERS (13, 1, SW)
 TOLL (11, 6, SE)
 VILEST (1, 13, S)

40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.

Cryptogram Puzzles #1

Solution

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #1 verses from page #8

Matthew 9:9 (KJV)

And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

Cryptogram Puzzles #2

Solution

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #2 verses from page #8

Luke 22:35 (KJV)

And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

Crisscross Puzzle

Solution

For the final crisscross words puzzle in page #9

<u>Across</u>	<u>Down</u>
3. _____	1. _____
7. _____	2. _____
8. _____	4. _____
10. _____	5. _____
11. _____	6. _____
15. _____	9. _____
16. _____	12. _____
19. _____	13. _____
21. _____	14. _____
22. _____	16. _____
23. _____	17. _____
25. _____	18. _____
28. _____	20. _____
29. _____	24. _____
30. _____	26. _____
34. _____	27. _____
35. _____	31. _____
36. _____	32. _____
38. _____	33. _____
	37. _____
	39. _____

*Place each word in their proper place in the puzzle.
There are 18 words across and 22 words down*

Double Puzzle

Solution

For the final scramble double words puzzle in page #10

10 Of 10 words were placed into the puzzle

MAGNIFIED
INCARNATION
DISLOYALTY
TRIUMPHED
OBLIGATION

FULFIL
HONORABLE
EXTOL
DISTINCTLY
SIGNIFICANCE

The Double Puzzle Final Message

Solution

For the final message double puzzle phrase in page #10

Isaiah 42:21 (KJV)

The Lord is well pleased for his righteousness' sake;
he will magnify the law, and make it honourable.