## Children Sabbath School Lesson #279 for 6-1-2019 Song for opening the Sabbath School:

## Our Opening Hymn is entitle, Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

- 1. Pass me not, O gentle Savior, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.
- 2. Let me at Thy throne of mercy Find a sweet relief; Kneeling there in deep contrition, Help my unbelief.

- 3. Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face; Heal my wounded, broken spirit, Save me by Thy grace.
- **4.** Thou the spring of all my comfort, More than life to me, Whom have I on earth beside Thee, Whom in Heav'n but Thee.

Refrain: Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

*Opening Prayer* – requesting one of the little ones or mommies or daddies to give prayer

## Lesson #279 "Zacchaeus"

#### **Luke 19:2 (KJV)**

And, behold, [there was] a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

## This Sabbath boys and girls, we will begin a new chapter of our lesson entitle, "Zacchaeus" in our lesson book, Desire of Ages!

#### **Luke 19:1 (KJV)**

And [Jesus] entered and passed through Jericho.

### **Luke 19:3 (KJV)**

And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

#### **Luke 19:4 (KJV)**

And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that [way].

#### **Luke 19:5 (KJV)**

And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

#### **Luke 3:13 (KJV)**

And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you.

#### **Luke 19:6 (KJV)**

And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

## Let's continue in our book Desire of Ages, Chapter #60, pages 552-553

On the way to Jerusalem "Jesus entered and passed through Jericho." A few miles from the Jordan, on the western edge of the valley that here spread out into a plain, the city lay in the midst of tropic verdure and luxuriance of beauty. With its palm trees and rich gardens watered by living springs, it gleamed like an emerald in the setting of limestone hills and desolate ravines that interposed between Jerusalem and the city of the plain. {DA 552.1}

**Question:** Where did Jesus enter and pass through on His way to Jerusalem? And, what discretion does the paragraph state of it, and where it's located?

Answer: Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And, the city lay in the midst of tropic verdure and luxuriance of beauty. With its palm trees and rich gardens watered by living springs, it gleamed like an emerald in the setting of limestone hills.

Many caravans on their way to the feast passed through Jericho. Their arrival was always a festive season, but now a deeper interest stirred the people. It was known that the Galilean Rabbi who had so lately brought Lazarus to life was in the throng; and though whispers were rife as to the plottings of the priests, the multitudes were eager to do Him homage. {DA 552.2}

Jericho was one of the cities anciently set apart for the priests, and at this time large numbers of priests had their residence there. But the city had also a population of a widely different character. It was a great center of traffic, and Roman officials and soldiers, with strangers from different quarters, were found there, while the collection of customs made it the home of many publicans. {DA 552.3}

**Question:** What deep interest stirred the people from their festives season? And, what was the city of Jericho anciently set apart for and describe the widely different population?

**Answer:** It was known that the Galilean Rabbi who had so lately brought Lazarus to life was in the throng. And, Jericho was one of the cities anciently set apart for the priests, it was a great center of traffic, and Roman officials and soldiers, with strangers from different quarters, were found there, while the collection of customs made it the home of many publicans.

"The chief among the publicans," Zacchaeus, was a Jew, and detested by his countrymen. His rank and wealth were the reward of a calling they abhorred, and which was regarded as another name for injustice and extortion. Yet the wealthy customs officer was not altogether the hardened man of the world that he seemed. Beneath the appearance of worldliness and pride was a heart susceptible to divine influences. Zacchaeus had heard of Jesus. The report of One who had borne Himself with kindness and courtesy toward the proscribed classes had spread far and wide. In this chief of the publicans was awakened a longing for a better life. Only a few miles from Jericho, John the Baptist had preached at the Jordan, and Zacchaeus had heard of the call to repentance. The instruction to the publicans, "Exact no more than that which is appointed you" (Luke 3:13), though outwardly disregarded, had impressed his mind. He knew the Scriptures, and was convicted that his practice was wrong.

Now, hearing the words reported to have come from the Great Teacher, he felt that he was a sinner in the sight of God. Yet what he had heard of Jesus kindled hope in his heart. Repentance, reformation of life, was possible, even to him; was not one of the new Teacher's most trusted disciples a publican? Zacchaeus began at once to follow the conviction that had taken hold upon him, and to make restitution to those whom he had wronged. **{DA 552.4}** 

**Question:** Who is Zacchaeus and how is he being described in this paragraph? And, was he the hardened man of the world that he seemed?

**Answer:** Zacchaeus, was a Jew, and detested by his countrymen. His rank and wealth were the reward of a calling they abhorred, and which was regarded as another name for injustice and extortion. And, beneath the appearance of worldliness and pride was a heart susceptible to divine influences.

Song: Let's learn our first scripture song together dear ones, from the book of Jeremiah!

Scripture Singer Songs-Character Building

## **Jeremiah 9:23, 24 (KJV)**

Let not the wise [man] glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty [man] glory in his might, let not the rich [man] glory in his riches:

Thus saith the LORD (2 xs)

But let him that glorieth glory in this, (2 xs)

Let he understandeth and knoweth me, that I [am] the LORD

I [am] the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these [things] I delight, saith the LORD. (2 xs)

Jeremiah chapter 9:23 and 24

Thus saith the LORD (2 xs)

Question: How did Zacchaeus feel that he was a sinner in the sight of God? And, how did he begin at once to follow the conviction that had taken hold upon him?

Answer: He knew the Scriptures, and was convicted that his practice was wrong. Now, hearing the words reported to have come from the Great Teacher. And, he had heard of Jesus kindled hope in his heart. Repentance, reformation of life, was possible.

Already he had begun thus to retrace his steps, when the news sounded through Jericho that Jesus was entering the town. Zacchaeus determined to see Him. He was beginning to realize how bitter are the fruits of sin, and how difficult the path of him who tries to return from a course of wrong. To be misunderstood, to be met with suspicion and distrust in the effort to correct his errors, was hard to bear. The chief publican longed to look upon the face of Him whose words had brought hope to his heart. {DA 553.1}

Question: What did Zacchaeus begin' to realize and why was it for him a difficult path?

Answer: He was beginning to realize how bitter are the fruits of sin, and the path of him who tries to return from a course of wrong. And, to be misunderstood, to be met with suspicion and distrust in the effort to correct his errors, was hard to bear.

The streets were crowded, and Zacchaeus, who was small of stature, could see nothing over the heads of the people. None would give way for him; so, running a little in advance of the multitude, to where a wide-branching fig tree hung over the way, the rich tax collector climbed to a seat among the boughs, whence he could survey the procession as it passed below. The crowd comes near, it is going by, and Zacchaeus scans with eager eyes to discern the one figure he longs to see. **{DA 553.2}** 

Above the clamor of priests and rabbis and the shouts of welcome from the multitude, that unuttered desire of the chief publican spoke to the heart of Jesus. Suddenly, just beneath the fig tree, a group halts, the company before and behind come to a standstill, and One looks upward whose glance seems to read the soul. Almost doubting his senses, the man in the tree hears the words, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house." {DA 553.3}

Question: What happened suddenly above the clamor of priests and rabbis and the shouts of welcome from the multitude and that unuttered desire of the chief publican which spoke to the heart of Jesus? And, what words did Zacchaeus hears, almost doubting his senses, while in the tree?

Answer: Just beneath the fig tree, a group halts, the company before and behind come to a standstill, and One (Jesus) looks upward whose glance seems to read the soul. And, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house."

Song: Let's learn our last beautiful song together dear entitle, Zacchaeus!"

Song in Acapella

#### **Zacchaeus**

Zacchaeus was a wee, little man,
And a wee, little man was he.
He climbed up in a sycamore tree,
For the Lord he wanted to see.
And as the Savior passed that way,
He looked up in the tree,
And he said,
"Zacchaeus, you come down!"

For I'm going to your house today! For I'm going to your house today!

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



Our book selection this Sabbath is entitle,
"Sons and Daughters of God"
Chapter 7-God Gives Spirit of Power and Love
For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
2 Timothy 1:7. {SD 196.1}

We are now in a time when we are to stand **steadfast** for the truth. We are to **cherish** love for souls, but never, never are we to surrender the least **vital** point of truth, for it is by maintaining truth, pure, **unadulterated** truth, that we can at this time bring honor and glory to Jesus Christ our Prince. The Word is the bread of life, and in the Word Christ's disciples are represented as eating and drinking the flesh and the blood of Christ,--making His Word a part of their lives. No lie is of the truth. Truth will stand the test in the time of false theories, if we hold fast the beginning of our **confidence** firm unto the end. . . . **{SD 196.2}** 

Let us exercise faith in God, and keep close to the side of Christ in following His Word. The Lord will teach His people if they will be taught. We can stand where we can hear the instruction of Christ. We have a living God and a living Christ. Whole **legions** of devils are watching their **opportunities** to get hold of human minds, but if we keep close to the Word, we shall not be overcome. "Wherefore," said Paul to Timothy, "I put thee in **remembrance** that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." **{SD 196.3}** 

We need to have a living faith in Jesus Christ. We need to exercise faith, that when the enemy comes in like a flood, the Lord will lift up a standard for us against him. A heart true to God is often in prayer. Do not let one wave of **discouragement** come over you. We must give our thoughts to the **contemplation** of the character and the works of God, teaching Christ's words. Be of good courage. Let your courage and your constant **reliance** upon Jesus Christ **inspire** in others belief and increased faith and hope. **{SD 196.4}** 

**Next Week:** We will be reviewing our lesson, "Zacchaeus" of our book "Desire of Ages"

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

Next Sabbath: Review Part 1 of Chapter 61 "Zacchaeus" June 8, 2019.

# Have a Blessed Sabbath dear one, and enjoy your activities. God Bless! Children Sabbath School Lesson #279



Luke 19:6 (KJV)

And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

## Word Search Puzzle

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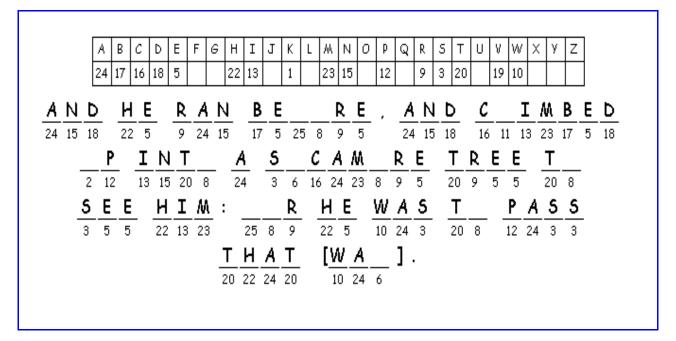
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32 of 32 words were placed into the puzzle.

## Cryptogram Puzzle #1

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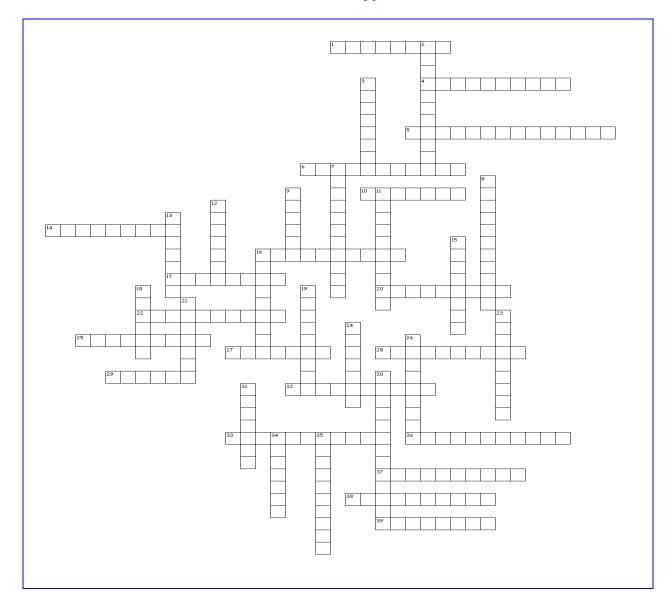
## Cryptogram Puzzle #2



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* 

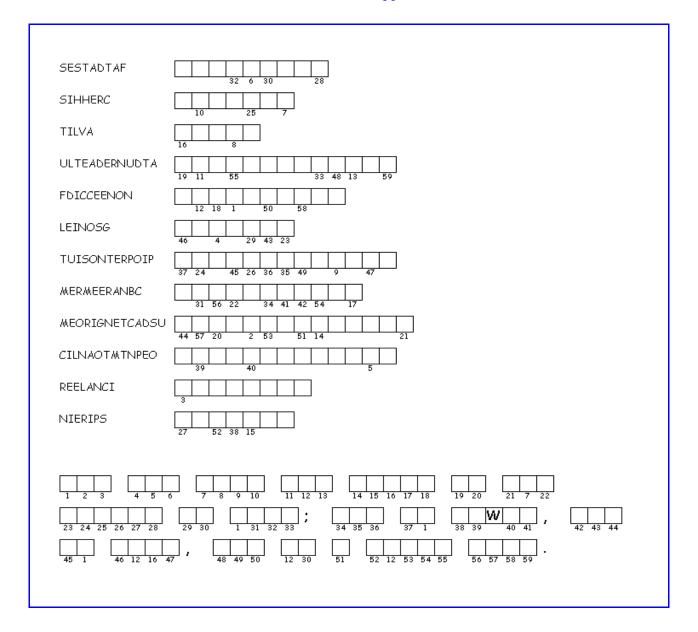
## Crisscross Puzzle



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AWAKENED	DISTRUST	OFFICER	STANDSTILL
BAPTIST	EXTORTION	OUTWARDLY	SURVEY
BENEATH	IMPRESSED	PRACTICE	SUSCEPTIBLE
CLAMOR	INFLUENCES	PROCESSION	SUSPICION
COLLECTOR	INJUSTICE	PROSCRIBED	WEALTHY
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40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle

## Double Puzzle

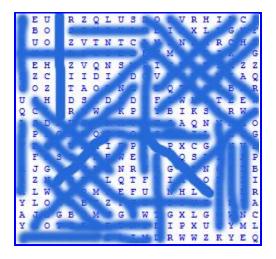


CHERISH OPPORTUNITIES
CONFIDENCE RELIANCE
CONTEMPLATION REMEMBRANCE
DISCOURAGEMENT STEADFAST
INSPIRE UNADULTERATED
LEGIONS VITAL

Unscramble each of the clue words. Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number. A clue is found on page 5

## Activities Answer Key

## Word Search Puzzle Solution



ABHORRED ANCIENTLY ARRIVAL CARAVANS COLLECTION COUNTRYMEN DESOLATE DETESTED EAGER EMERALD FESTIVE GALILEAN GLEAMED HOMAGE INTEREST INTERPOSED JERICHO
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RESIDENCE ROMAN SEASON TROPIC VALLEY VERDURE WESTERN WHISPERS

### 32 of 32 words were placed into the puzzle.

## **Cryptogram Puzzles #1**

**Solution** 

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #1 verses from page #8  $Luke\ 19:3\ (KJV)$ 

AND HE SOUGHT TO SEE JESUS WHO HE WAS; AND COULD NOT FOR THE PRESS, BECAUSE HE WAS LITTLE OF STATURE.

## **Cryptogram Puzzles #2**

**Solution** 

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

Luke 19:4 (KJV)

AND HE RAN BEFORE, AND CLIMBED UP

INTO A SYCAMORE TREE TO SEE HIM:

FOR HE WAS TO PASS THAT [WAY].

## Crisscross Puzzle

#### **Solution**

For the final crisscross words puzzle in page #9

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39.	35.

Place each word in their proper place in the puzzle There are 20 words across and 20 words down

# Double Puzzle Solution For the final scramble double words puzzle in page #10

#### 12 Of 12 words were placed into the puzzle

STEADFAST OPPORTUNITIES
CHERISH REMEMBRANCE
VITAL DISCOURAGEMENT
UNADULTERATED CONTEMPLATION
CONFIDENCE RELIANCE
LEGIONS INSPIRE

# The Double Puzzle Final Message Solution

For the final message double phrase in page #10 2 Timothy 1:7 (KJV)

FOR GOD HATH NOT GIVEN US THE

SPIRIT OF FEAR; BUT OF POWER, AND

OF LOVE, AND OF A SOUND MIND.