

Children Sabbath School Lesson #88 for 8-9-2014
Song for opening the Sabbath School:

<i>A beautiful Hymnal</i> <i>Savior, teach me day by day</i>	
Savior, teach me day by day Love's sweet lesson to obey, Sweeter lesson cannot be, Loving Him Who first loved me. With a child's glad heart of love At Thy bidding may I move, Prompt to serve and follow Thee, Loving Him Who first loved me.	Teach me thus Thy steps to trace, Strong to follow in Thy grace, Learning how to love from Thee, Loving Him Who first loved me. Love in loving finds employ, In obedience all her joy; Ever new that joy will be, Loving Him Who first loved me.
Thus may I rejoice to show That I feel the love I owe; Singing, till Thy face I see, Of His love Who first loved me.	

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

Lesson #87: Nicodemus, Part 2

Job 14:4 (KJV)

Who can bring a clean [thing] out of an unclean? not one.

This week boys and girls, we will continue with part 2 in our lesson “Nicodemus” of our study book!

Romans 8:6 (KJV)

For to be carnally minded [is] death; but to be spiritually minded [is] life and peace.

Romans 8:7 (KJV)

Because the carnal mind [is] enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Matthew 15:19 (KJV)

For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

John 3:9 (KJV)

Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?

John 3:10 (KJV)

Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

John 3:11(KJV)

Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

John 3:12 (KJV)

If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you [of] heavenly things?

Let's continue in our book Desire of Ages, Chapter #17, pages 171 – 173

Surprised out of his self-possession, he answered Christ in words full of irony, "How can a man be born when he is old?" Like many others when cutting truth is brought home to the conscience, he revealed the fact that the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God. There is in him nothing that responds to spiritual things; for spiritual things are spiritually discerned. {DA 171.4}

But the Saviour did not meet argument with argument. Raising His hand with solemn, quiet dignity, He pressed the truth home with greater assurance, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Nicodemus knew that Christ here referred to water baptism and the renewing of the heart by the Spirit of God. He was convinced that he was in the presence of the One whom John the Baptist had foretold. {DA 171.5}

Jesus continued: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." By nature the heart is evil, and "who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one." **Job 14:4.** No human invention can find a remedy for the sinning soul. "The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be."

"Out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies." **Romans 8:7; Matthew 15:19.** The fountain of the heart must be purified before the streams can become pure. He who is trying to reach heaven by his own works in keeping the law is attempting an impossibility. There is no safety for one who has merely a legal religion, a form of godliness. The Christian's life is not a modification or improvement of the old, but a transformation of nature. There is a death to self and sin, and a new life altogether. This change can be brought about only by the effectual working of the Holy Spirit. {DA 172.1}

Question: Boys & girls, Can the natural man respond to spiritual things of the Spirit of God?

Answer: No! There is in him nothing that responds to spiritual things; for spiritual things are spiritually discerned.

Song: *Let's learn a beautiful Scripture song together dear ones!*

John 3:16-17 (KJV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through him might be saved.
might be saved. John Chapter 3 verses 16 and 17

Nicodemus was still perplexed, and Jesus used the wind to illustrate His meaning: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is everyone that is born of the Spirit." {DA 172.2}

The wind is heard among the branches of the trees, rustling the leaves and flowers; yet it is invisible, and no man knows whence it comes or whither it goes. So with the work of the Holy Spirit upon the heart. It can no more be explained than can the movements of the wind. A person may not be able to tell the exact time or place, or to trace all the circumstances in the process of conversion; but this does not prove him to be unconverted. By an agency as unseen as the wind, Christ is constantly working upon the heart. Little by little, perhaps unconsciously to the receiver, impressions are made that tend to draw the soul to Christ. These may be received through meditating upon Him, through reading the Scriptures, or through hearing the word from the living preacher. Suddenly, as the Spirit comes with more direct appeal, the soul gladly surrenders itself to Jesus. By many this is called sudden conversion; but it is the result of long wooing by the Spirit of God,--a patient, protracted process. {DA 172.3}

Question: Boys & girls, what did Jesus use to illustrate His meaning to Nicodemus?

Answer: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is everyone that is born of the Spirit."

While the wind is itself invisible, it produces effects that are seen and felt. So the work of the Spirit upon the soul will reveal itself in every act of him who has felt its saving power. When the Spirit of God takes possession of the heart, it transforms the life. Sinful thoughts are put away, evil deeds are renounced; love, humility, and peace take the place of anger, envy, and strife. Joy takes the place of sadness, and the countenance reflects the light of heaven. No one sees the hand that lifts the burden, or beholds the light descend from the courts above. The blessing comes when by faith the soul surrenders itself to God. Then that power which no human eye can see creates a new being in the image of God. {DA 173.1}

It is impossible for finite minds to comprehend the work of redemption. Its mystery exceeds human knowledge; yet he who passes from death to life realizes that it is a divine reality. The beginning of redemption we may know here through a personal experience. Its results reach through the eternal ages. {DA 173.2}

While Jesus was speaking, some gleams of truth penetrated the ruler's mind. The softening, subduing influence of the Holy Spirit impressed his heart. Yet he did not fully understand the Saviour's words. He was not so much impressed by the necessity of the new birth as by the manner of its accomplishment. He said wonderingly, "How can these things be?" {DA 173.3}

Question: Boys & girls, what happens when the Spirit of God takes possession of the heart?

Answer: It transforms the life. Sinful thoughts are put away, evil deeds are renounced; love, humility, and peace take the place of anger, envy, and strife. Joy takes the place of sadness, and the countenance reflects the light of heaven.

Song: *Let's learn a scripture song together dear ones about how we can receive a **New Heart!***

Psalms 51:10-12 Margins....

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence; Oh LORD!
and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation;
and uphold me [with thy] free spirit.

"Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?" Jesus asked. Surely one entrusted with the religious instruction of the people should not be ignorant of truths so important. His words conveyed the lesson that instead of feeling irritated over the plain words of truth, Nicodemus should have had a very humble opinion of himself, because of his spiritual ignorance. Yet Christ spoke with such solemn dignity, and both look and tone expressed such earnest love, that Nicodemus was not offended as he realized his humiliating condition. {DA 173.4}

But as Jesus explained that His mission on earth was to establish a spiritual instead of a temporal kingdom, His hearer was troubled. Seeing this, Jesus added, "If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?" If Nicodemus could not receive Christ's teaching, illustrating the work of grace upon the heart, how could he comprehend the nature of His glorious heavenly kingdom? Not discerning the nature of Christ's work on earth, he could not understand His work in heaven. {DA 173.5}

Question: Boys & girls, why did Jesus ask Nicodemus such a vital question?

Answer: Jesus asked. Surely one entrusted with the religious instruction of the people should not be ignorant of truths so important.

Next Week: We will continue with part 2 in our study entitle, "**Nicodemus**" of our study book!

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

Next Sabbath: *Chapter 17 "Nicodemus", Sabbath August 16, 2014.*

Have a Blessed Sabbath dear one, and enjoy your activities. God Bless!
Children Sabbath School
Lesson #88



John 3:10 (KJV)

Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel,
and knowest not these things?

Word Search Puzzle

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40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.

Double Puzzle

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Unscramble each of the clue words.

Take the letters that appear in □ boxes and unscramble them for the final message.
 A clue for the final message is on page#1

Cryptogram Puzzle #1

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Cryptogram Puzzle #2

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There clues are on page #1

Unscramble each cryptogram of the clue words.

The character style to solve the two cryptogram puzzles phrase is by Number

Activities Answer Key

Word Search Puzzle

Solution

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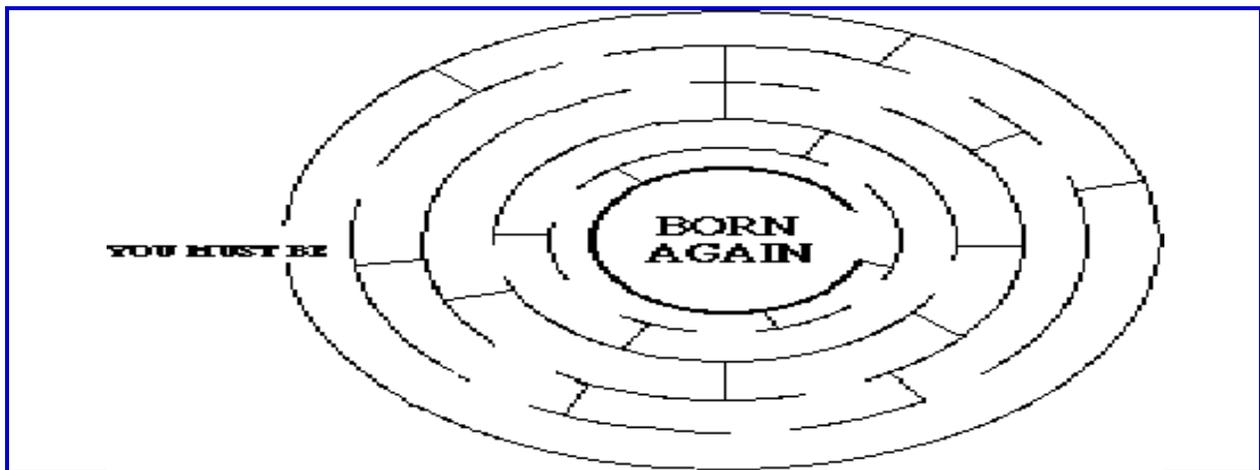
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 MODIFICATION (18, 15, W)
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 STREAMS (2, 13, S)
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 TRANSFORMATION (1, 1, SE)
 UNCLEAN (14, 18, E)

40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.



Cryptogram Puzzles

Solution

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #1 verses

Romans 8:6 (KJV)

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Solution

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #2 verses

Romans 8:7 (KJV)

Because the carnal mind [is] enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Double Puzzle

Solution

For the final scramble double words puzzle in page #7

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| 1. TRACE | 11. WOOING |
| 2. CIRCUMSTANCES | 12. PATIENT |
| 3. CONVERSION | 13. PROTRACTED |
| 4. UNCONVERTED | 14. RENOUNCED |
| 5. AGENCY | 15. ANGER |
| 6. UNSEEN | 16. ENVY |
| 7. UNCONSCIOUSLY | 17. STRIFE |
| 8. IMPRESSIONS | 18. JOY |
| 9. DRAW | 19. SADNESS |
| 10. CONVERSION | 20. COUNTENANCE |

The Double Puzzle Final Message

Solution

For the final message double puzzle phrase in page #7

Matthew 15:19 (KJV)

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