

**Children Sabbath School Lesson #89 for 8-16-2014**  
**Song for opening the Sabbath School:**

<b><i>A beautiful Hymnal</i></b> <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 #89: Nicodemus, Part 3***

**Isaiah 64:6 (KJV)**

**But we are all as an unclean [thing], and all our righteousnesses [are] as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.**

***This week boys and girls, we will end our study with part 3 in our lesson “Nicodemus” of our study book!***

**Psalms 51:10 (KJV)**

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

**Ezekiel 36:26 (KJV)**

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

**Ezekiel 36:27 (KJV)**

And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do [them].

**Romans 8:3 (KJV)**

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

**Acts 4:12 (KJV)**

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

**Acts 5:31 (KJV)** Him hath God exalted with his right hand [to be] a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

**John 1:29 (KJV)**

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

**Psalms 40:8 (KJV)**

I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law [is] within my heart.

**Let's continue in our book Desire of Ages, Chapter #17, pages 173 – 177**

The Jews whom Jesus had driven from the temple claimed to be children of Abraham, but they fled from the Saviour's presence because they could not endure the glory of God which was manifested in Him. Thus they gave evidence that they were not fitted by the grace of God to participate in the sacred services of the temple. They were zealous to maintain an appearance of holiness, but they neglected holiness of heart. While they were sticklers for the letter of the law, they were constantly violating its spirit. Their great need was that very change which Christ had been explaining to Nicodemus,—a new moral birth, a cleansing from sin, and a renewing of knowledge and holiness. {DA 173.6}

There was no excuse for the blindness of Israel in regard to the work of regeneration. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Isaiah had written, "We are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness's are as filthy rags." David had prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." And through Ezekiel the promise had been given, "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes." **Isaiah 64:6; Psalm 51:10; Ezekiel 36:26, 27.**

{DA 174.1}

**Question:** Boys & girls, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit through Isaiah's writing, what is all our righteousness as? And, what David's prayer; as well as words through Ezekiel, was the promise that had been given by God for our instruction into righteousness?

**Answer:** Filthy rags. And to, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." As well as A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes.

**Song:** *Let's keep these 2 memory verses from our study in our hearts dear ones!*

**Psalms 51:10 (KJV)**

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

**Ezekiel 36:27 (KJV)**

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do [them].

Nicodemus had read these scriptures with a clouded mind; but he now began to comprehend their meaning. He saw that the most rigid obedience to the mere letter of the law as applied to the outward life could entitle no man to enter the kingdom of heaven. In the estimation of men, his life had been just and honorable; but in the presence of Christ he felt that his heart was unclean, and his life unholy. {DA 174.2}

Nicodemus was being drawn to Christ. As the Saviour explained to him concerning the new birth, he longed to have this change wrought in himself. By what means could it be accomplished? Jesus answered the unspoken question: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." {DA 174.3}

Here was ground with which Nicodemus was familiar. The symbol of the uplifted serpent made plain to him the Saviour's mission. When the people of Israel were dying from the sting of the fiery serpents, God directed Moses to make a serpent of brass, and place it on high in the midst of the congregation. Then the word was sounded throughout the encampment that all who would look upon the serpent should live. The people well knew that in itself the serpent had no power to help them. It was a symbol of Christ. As the image made in the likeness of the destroying serpents was lifted up for their healing, so One made "in the likeness of sinful flesh" was to be their Redeemer. Romans 8:3. Many of the Israelites regarded the sacrificial service as having in itself virtue to set them free from sin. God desired to teach them that it had no more value than that serpent of brass. It was to lead their minds to the Saviour. Whether for the healing of their wounds or the pardon of their sins, they could do nothing for themselves but show their faith in the Gift of God. They were to look and live. {DA 174.4}

**Question:** Boys & girls, As the Saviour explained to Nicodemus concerning the new birth, he longed to have this change wrought in himself. By what means could it be accomplished?

**Answer:** "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life."

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

### **John 3:16 (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.

Those who had been bitten by the serpents might have delayed to look. They might have questioned how there could be efficacy in that brazen symbol. They might have demanded a scientific explanation. But no explanation was given. They must accept the word of God to them through Moses. To refuse to look was to perish. {DA 175.1}

Not through controversy and discussion is the soul enlightened. We must look and live. Nicodemus received the lesson, and carried it with him. He searched the Scriptures in a new way, not for the discussion of a theory, but in order to receive life for the soul. He began to see the kingdom of heaven as he submitted himself to the leading of the Holy Spirit. {DA 175.2}

There are thousands today who need to learn the same truth that was taught to Nicodemus by the uplifted serpent. They depend on their obedience to the law of God to commend them to His favor. When they are bidden to look to Jesus, and believe that He saves them solely through His grace, they exclaim, "How can these things be?" {DA 175.3}

**Question:** Boys & girls, how did Nicodemus receive the lesson, and carry it with him not for the discussion of a theory?

**Answer:** He searched the Scriptures in a new way, not through controversy and discussion, but in order to receive life for the soul to be enlightened.

Like Nicodemus, we must be willing to enter into life in the same way as the chief of sinners. Than Christ, "there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12. Through faith we receive the grace of God; but faith is not our Saviour. It earns nothing. It is the hand by which we lay hold upon Christ, and appropriate His merits, the remedy for sin. And we cannot even repent without the aid of the Spirit of God. The Scripture says of Christ, "Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins." Acts 5:31. Repentance comes from Christ as truly as does pardon. {DA 175.4}

How, then, are we to be saved? "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness," so the Son of man has been lifted up, and everyone who has been deceived and bitten by the serpent may look and live. "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29. The light shining from the cross reveals the love of God. His love is drawing us to Himself. If we do not resist this drawing, we shall be led to the foot of the cross in repentance for the sins that have crucified the Saviour. Then the Spirit of God through faith produces a new life in the soul. The thoughts and desires are brought into obedience to the will of Christ. The heart, the mind, are created anew in the image of Him who works in us to subdue all things to Himself. Then the law of God is written in the mind and heart, and we can say with Christ, "I delight to do Thy will, O my God." Psalm 40:8. {DA 175.5}

**Question:** Boys & girls, is there any other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved than Jesus of Nazareth? And can we repent of our self without divine power?

**Answer:** No! Through faith we receive the grace of God; but faith is not our Saviour. It earns nothing. It is the hand by which we lay hold upon Christ, and appropriate His merits, the remedy for sin. And no! And we cannot even repent without the aid of the Spirit of God. Repentance comes from Christ as truly as does pardon.

In the interview with Nicodemus, Jesus unfolded the plan of salvation, and His mission to the world. In none of His subsequent discourses did He explain so fully, step by step, the work necessary to be done in the hearts of all who would inherit the kingdom of heaven. At the very beginning of His ministry He opened the truth to a member of the Sanhedrin, to the mind that was most receptive, and to an appointed teacher of the people. But the leaders of Israel did not welcome the light. Nicodemus hid the truth in his heart, and for three years there was little apparent fruit. {DA 176.1}

But Jesus was acquainted with the soil into which He cast the seed. The words spoken at night to one listener in the lonely mountain were not lost. For a time Nicodemus did not publicly acknowledge Christ, but he watched His life, and pondered His teachings. In the Sanhedrin council he repeatedly thwarted the schemes of the priests to destroy Him. When at last Jesus was lifted up on the cross, Nicodemus remembered the teaching upon Olivet: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." The light from that secret interview illumined the cross upon Calvary, and Nicodemus saw in Jesus the world's Redeemer. {DA 176.2}

**Question:** Boys & girls, what event in Jesus' life illuminated Nicodemus' mind with light from that secret interview with our Saviour?

**Answer:** The cross upon Calvary, he saw the fulfillment "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: and Nicodemus saw in Jesus the world's Redeemer.

After the Lord's ascension, when the disciples were scattered by persecution, Nicodemus came boldly to the front. He employed his wealth in sustaining the infant church that the Jews had expected to be blotted out at the death of Christ. In the time of peril he who had been so cautious and questioning was firm as a rock, encouraging the faith of the disciples, and furnishing means to carry forward the work of the gospel. He was scorned and persecuted by those who had paid him reverence in other days. He became poor in this world's goods; yet he faltered not in the faith which had its beginning in that night conference with Jesus. {DA 177.1}

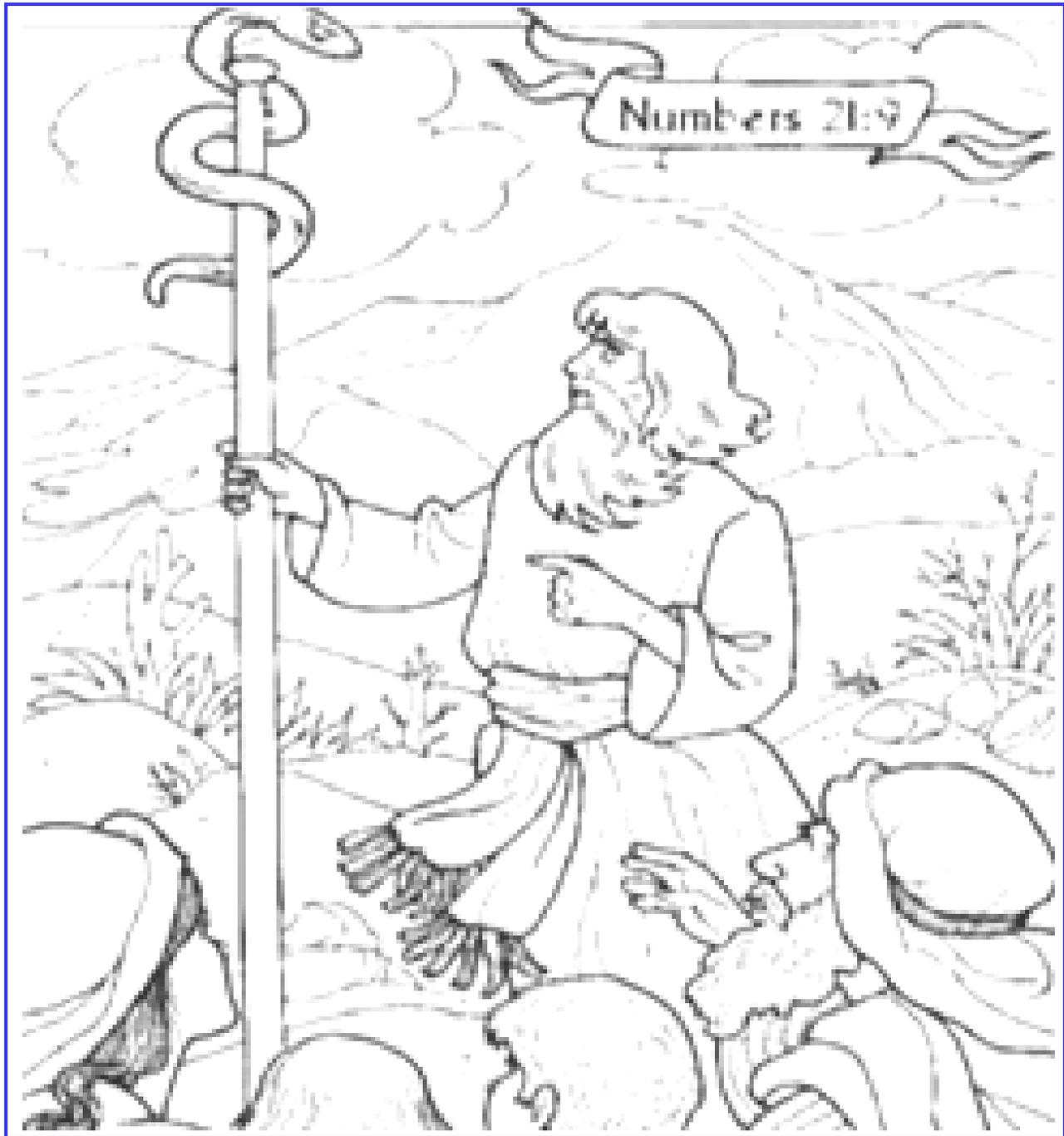
Nicodemus related to John the story of that interview, and by his pen it was recorded for the instruction of millions. The truths there taught are as important today as they were on that solemn night in the shadowy mountain, when the Jewish ruler came to learn the way of life from the lowly Teacher of Galilee. {DA 177.2}

**Next Week:** We will begin a new chapter in our study entitled, "**He Must Increase**"  
of our lesson book!

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

**Next Sabbath:** Chapter 18 "**He Must Increase**", Sabbath August 23, 2014.

*Have a Blessed Sabbath dear one, and enjoy your activities. God Bless!*  
*Children Sabbath School*  
*Lesson #89*



***John 3:14 (KJV)***

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

## *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

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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*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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 ASCENSION (18, 1, S)  
 CALVARY (13, 10, N)  
 CAUTIOUS (13, 20, NE)  
 DISCOURSES (1, 10, SE)  
 EFFICACY (14, 9, N)  
 ENDURE (3, 13, NE)  
 EVIDENCE (9, 13, SW)

EXPLANATION (14, 1, SW)  
 FIERY (17, 15, S)  
 FLED (7, 19, NW)  
 ILLUMINED (11, 13, E)  
 INFANT (2, 12, NE)  
 INTERVIEW (16, 16, W)  
 MERITS (19, 15, S)  
 MOSES (10, 3, SW)  
 NICODEMUS (12, 6, SW)  
 OLIVET (20, 20, N)

OUTWARD (16, 14, SW)  
 PARTICIPATE (5, 1, SE)  
 PERIL (5, 2, W)  
 PERISH (7, 2, E)  
 PERSECUTION (14, 17, NW)  
 RECEPTIVE (16, 11, N)  
 REVEALS (16, 11, W)  
 RIGID (6, 11, SE)  
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 SANHEDRIN (9, 20, NW)

SCHEMES (12, 19, NW)  
 SCIENTIFIC (15, 10, N)  
 SERPENTS (8, 5, W)  
 SOIL (2, 4, N)  
 SOLEMN (3, 20, E)  
 SUBDUE (19, 20, W)  
 SUBSEQUENT (10, 12, E)  
 UPLIFTED (4, 1, E)  
 WILDERNESS (1, 19, NE)  
 ZEALOUS (19, 2, S)

40 of 40 words were placed into the puzzle.



## **Cryptogram Puzzles**

### **Solution**

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #1 verses

### **Isaiah 64:6 (KJV)**

But we are all as an unclean [thing], and all our righteousnesses [are] as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

### **Solution**

The final completed cryptogram puzzle #2 verses

### **Romans 8:3 (KJV)**

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

## ***Double Puzzle***

### **Solution**

**For the final scramble double words puzzle in page #8**

1. Right spirit
2. New heart
3. Stony heart
4. Your flesh
5. Heart of flesh
6. I will put my spirit within you
7. Cause you to walk in my statutes
8. Ye shall keep my judgments, do [them]

9. The law was weak through the flesh
10. God sending his own son
11. The likeness of sinful flesh
12. Condemned sin in the flesh
13. Behold the lamb of god
14. Which taketh away the sin of the world
15. I delight to do thy will
16. Thy law [is] within my heart

## ***The Double Puzzle Final Message***

### **Solution**

**For the final message double puzzle phrase in page #8**

### **Ezekiel 36:27 (KJV)**

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do [them].