

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 12

MAN THE CROWN OF CREATION

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 1:26, 27; 2:7-9; 1:24. GOLDEN TEXT—"God created man in his own image." Gen. 1:27.

Ten times the words, "and God said" appear in the first chapter of Genesis. God spake, and 'twas done. Now all is in readiness earth and heaven await his word, "and God said let us make man."

Science at a Pause.

How God created man we are not told, except that he was "formed of the dust of the ground," and to this day the bodies of men and of animals consist of the very same elements as the soil which forms the earth upon which they dwell.

But still there are higher heights, for God breathed into this man his own spirit, verse 7, and from this union of the body and spirit man became a living soul.

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M. M. Workman and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with their son, Warren, and wife at Winkle.

BARRETT.

January 6, 1913.

Hamer Lyle and wife entertained Sunday, George Fox and wife, Bob West and wife, of near Hillsboro, and Vernon Rittenhouse and wife, of near Rainsboro.

Fred Ulen and wife, of Wambon, Pa., who have been visiting relatives here, left for their home last Tuesday.

Misses Margie and Grace Chrisman spent last week with their sister, Mrs. Wm. Ludwick, of East Danville.

J. B. Cowgill and wife called on Joseph Karnes Saturday evening.

Norman Overman recently visited his brother, Vernon, in Cincinnati.

Austin Stevens, of Wilmington, who has been visiting relatives here for several months, returned to his home last week.

The regular monthly meeting will be held at the Friends church Saturday at 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Wm. Brock and daughter, of Marshall, are visiting at the home of her parents, C. H. Stevens and wife.

Harry Lyle and wife, Parker Cowgill and Olive West were guests of Ray Washburn and wife Sunday.

Hamer Lyle and wife were guests at the home of Mrs. Lyle's mother, Mrs. Rittenhouse, of Hillsboro, Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Brown is very ill with grippe.

Elmira and Jane Milligan, of Springfield, visited their sister, Mrs. Jane Stevens, last week. Miss Jane will remain until Spring.

John Templin, of Blanchester, spent on Thursday until Saturday at the home of C. H. Stevens.

Miss Ruth Rummel, of New Vienna, visited Miss Stella Stevens last week.

PRICETOWN.

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The Christian Sunday School elected the following officers for 1913: Casper Abraham, Supt; Marie Wardlow, Sec'y; Amanda Pulliam, Treas; Claud Gossett, Chorister; Miss Ruth Foust, Pianist; Bert Young, sexton.

James Donohoo and wife, who have been in charge of the Highland County Infirmary for the past four years, have moved back to their farm near Pricetown.

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MARSHALL.

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Mrs. L. A. Elliott entertained Miss Drusie McCoy, Frank Elliott and family and James Elliot and family New Years.

Mrs. Ella Burnett and Miss Grace Boyd spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Emily Carlisle.

Mrs. Wm. Elliott entertained the W. C. T. U. Thursday afternoon.

Joe Steinmetz and wife returned home Sunday, after spending two weeks with relatives here.

Mrs. Frank Lyle spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Creed spent Sunday with their son, James, and family.

Harry Wright and family spent Wednesday with Willard Knelsley and family, of Cynthiana.

James Elliott and family spent the first part of the week with Mrs. Elliott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Atkins, of Folsom.

Miss Nettie Boyd spent Saturday night with Mrs. Ella Burnett and family.

Mrs. George Sams and son, Orville, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Lucas.

The Township Sunday School Convention will be held at the M. E. church next Sunday, Jan. 12, at 2 p. m. All are invited to come.

Vernon Overman and sister, Helen, spent Wednesday with their grandparents, E. R. Watts and wife.

A Parisian chemist has invented dyes said to make dresses change color hourly.

RAINSBORO.

January 6, 1913.

Miss Kate Farmer, of Greenfield, was the guest of Miss Nell Garman the latter part of the week.

Miss Helen Coleman leaves today to resume her studies at Athens, after a two weeks vacation with home folks.

Mrs. A. G. Cameron will entertain the Aid Society on Thursday afternoon of this week.

Mrs. W. E. Shriver returned home Saturday from a few days visit with her parents at Williamsburg.

The Rainsboro Dramatic Club will give a play at the K. of P. Hall on Saturday night, Jan. 18, for the benefit of the lodge.

Cecil Harrington and Edwin McNary spent last week at Dayton.

The annual election of the Home Telephone Co. will be held on Saturday night of this week.

Russell and Hobart Snider, of Hillsboro, visited friends here last week.

G. G. Garman has been spending a few days with friends at Dayton and Springfield.

The firm of Ladd and Spargur dissolved partnership the past week. Mr. Spargur retires and the business will now be conducted by the Ladd brothers.

Morgan Caudy and Mrs. Eva Wilkin have the distinction of sending the first packages by parcels post from the Rainsboro office and John Spargur was the first to receive one.

The M. E. Sunday school reorganized last Sunday and all the officers of the previous year were re-elected.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the M. E. parsonage on Tuesday of next week. A full attendance is desired as the meeting is an important one.

The first number of our lecture course, the Euclid Male Quartette, at the M. E. church on last Saturday night was one of the most pleasing entertainments it was ever our good fortune to enjoy. The next number will be by Miss Meddie Hamilton on the night of January 29. The chart will be open at Cameron's store where season tickets can still be obtained at the usual price, minus the price of single admission of first number.

LEESBURG.

January 6, 1913.

Mrs. John Swift was a Cincinnati visitor last Friday.

Mrs. Ada McNeal has returned to her home in New York City, after a pleasant visit with her parents, B. L. Sanders and wife.

Lon Frazer and wife have returned to their home in St. Louis, after an extended visit with Mrs. Frazer's mother, Mrs. Nancy Thurman.

Misses Ruth Adams, LeOra Bird and Almada McPherson were guests of Fred Terry and family last Sunday.

Miss Murrelle Hass left Sunday for Detroit to resume her school work.

A special program was rendered by the Kappa Sigma Pi boys last Friday evening at the M. E. church in the presence of a number of invited guests, after which the way was led to the church dining room where an elegant luncheon was served to all present.

Haldane Evans left Sunday for Delaware to resume his work in the college at that place.

Mrs. M. E. Gage will leave this week for Chicago to spend the remainder of the winter with her sister, Mrs. Josephine Mackerly.

Paul Monroe and wife left Thursday for their home in Gallion, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Monroe's parents, F. T. Pavey and wife.

Miss Jennie Bartley, of Hillsboro, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. Bessie Spencer Cox.

Howard Pavey has moved his stock of goods from Higuan to this place, and occupies the business room of G. Priest.

Miss Bertha West is at her home near Cincinnati where she will visit until arrangements are made for the continuation of school at Bridges, when she will return and complete her year's work as primary teacher in that school.

Ed Keene has resigned his position as clerk in Evan's Hardware Store.

An epidemic of grippe is sweeping our town.

Miss Lucille Roush has resigned her position as stenographer with the Mason Fence Co. Miss Ward, of Hillsboro, will take her place.

Mrs. Gerry will return this week to her home in Detroit, after a pleasant visit with her mother, Mrs. Murphy.

Gabe—How do you tell a genuine diamond from a fake?  
Steve—Try to hock it.—Cin. Eq.

But .02 of an inch of rain was measured at Greenwich observatory in England in April, making it the driest month recorded in a century.

Hobbs—You've been spending a week with Perkins, haven't you? How is his house furnished inside?  
Nobb—I never noticed.  
Hobb—Well, he always did have good taste.—Life.

An Incongruity

By JOHN GALLAGER, JR.

After my admission to the bar a friend of Mr. Larkins, of the law firm of Larkins, Larrabee & Lincoln, gave me a letter to him recommending me for a salaried position in his office. I was advised to see Mr. Larkins at his house, where I would receive more friendly attention than in his office. I called about 4 o'clock, expecting to find him returned from his office, but since he had been detained there later than usual I concluded to wait for him. I was shown into a large drawing room as dimly lighted as those of most city dwellings. Indeed, since it was winter and the days were short there was hardly any light at all because of heavy window drapery.

A door opened into a conservatory, and while sitting in profound silence I heard a succession of oaths. There were two incongruities connected with the matter. In the first place, the profanity came from out a profusion of flowers and, in the second, was spoken in a woman's musical voice. Furthermore, they did not express irritation, the lady who spoke them seeming to be simply rolling them out just to hear them. In other words, as they were uttered there was no meaning to them.

They soon stopped and were followed by a few notes of song, in the same sweet voice as the oaths. Then a young girl came out of the conservatory, passed through the drawing room, unconscious of my presence, and, swearing like a trooper as she went, passed out into the hall and upstairs. I got a view of her as she passed a gas jet that had just been lighted, and her face was as innocent of guile as her tongue was defiled.

I was especially pleased that she did not see me, for she would doubtless have been deeply mortified. Mr. Larkins came in presently, and I presented my note of introduction, which was instrumental in securing for me the place I coveted. I soon learned that he had a daughter who was considered a beautiful girl, and I inferred that she was the one I had heard uttering profanity. I was curious about her, for I could not understand how a refined woman could have a fancy for listening to oaths uttered by herself.

I had not been long in the employ of Larkins, Larrabee & Lincoln when Mr. Larkins invited me to dine at his house. I accepted gladly and on the evening appointed appeared at the house in evening dress and wearing my best expression. It seemed singular that I should be desirous of impressing a girl who could swear "like an army in Flanders," but such was the case. When introduced to her I found it difficult to repress a smile, thinking as I did how shocked she would be did she know that I had heard her at her worst.

I can't say that Miss Laura Larkins was a demure young lady, but she gave one the impression of being very refined, modest, pure. Indeed, she was the last person I would have supposed would indulge in the unladylike habit of swearing. To tell the truth, there was something so novel, in such marked contrast, in hearing a lovely girl with a sweet voice uttering profanity that I wished she would do it again.

But instead her words were well chosen and pure English, there was not a bit of slang, and everything she said was refined.

This introduction at the house of my employer resulted in a love affair between me and Miss Larkins. After a while I was made a junior member of the law firm where I was employed, and, being approved by Mr. Larkins as a son-in-law, I was accepted and duly engaged. While I had been fascinated by the incongruity of oaths spoken in a melodious voice, I was at times troubled by this peculiarity. Might not a girl who would give vent to such expletives have something bad about her inner self which some day would crop out to shock me? I wished to tell her that I had heard her swear and hear her explanation, but could not bring myself to do so. So I went on, subject to occasional fits of terror lest I would marry one whose devilish nature might burst forth at any moment.

My fiancée was at the time I met her a college girl. One day I took up in her house the book of a play in which she had acted as an undergraduate. One part, that of a man, was marked throughout. While reading it I came upon the very oaths I had heard her utter. Here was an explanation. She had performed this part.

A moment later when she entered the room I fired them at her. "Oh," she said, "you have been reading the part I played at college. We girls were expected to leave those swear words out. But we never did at rehearsal!"

"Why not?" "Why does any girl fancy what she is supposed to let alone?"

Then I told her of the first time I saw her—how while I was shocked I was pleased. She said that it was that same shock, that desire to break in upon forbidden things, that pleased girls. She also confessed that several of the girls who took part in the play, unexpressed by authority, were in the habit of rolling out the oaths I had heard her use just for the pleasure of doing something they had no business to do. As for herself, she played the part of the man who did the swearing.

I asked her to do it just once more and after that never to do it again. She declined to oblige me.

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SINKING SPRING. Jan. 6, 1913. Frank Turley and wife visited Rev. and Mrs. Howard at the parsonage Tuesday evening and watched the old year out. An enjoyable evening was spent. Jas. Kesler and wife entertained at dinner Frank Turley and wife and Rev. Clyde Howard and wife Friday evening. Jas. Patton, a life long resident of this place, died Friday evening after two months illness, which resulted in heart failure. The funeral was conducted from the house, Rev. Clyde Howard officiated. Mr. Patton was survived by a wife and several children. The ladies of the M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Frank Turley Saturday afternoon and discussed plans for advancing the interest of the church. A social will be given Saturday week. Frank Helleson was in Hillsboro Saturday. Sixteen thousand Europeans and 665 Maoris have obtained old age pensions in New Zealand in the last year. About 35,000 old-age pensions have been granted in all. Employee—I would like more salary. I am going to get married. Employer—Sorry, but I'll have to reduce it. I am going to get married myself.—Sidney Post.