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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.----July 31 (For Questions see Star Quarterly and Lesson Papers.) MOSES AND THE MAGICIANS.

The Intelligencer.

DAILY READINGS. Moses and the magicians. Exodus 7: 8-17. Pharach's heart hardened. Exodus 5: 1-23. Plague upon the waters. Exodus 7: 19-25. Plague of frogs Exodus 8: 1-15. Plagues of lice and flies. Exodus 8: 16-32. Plagues of murrain, boils and blains. Exodus 9 S. Plague of hail. 3 Exodus 9: 13-35.

GOLDEN TEXT: - "They showed his signs among them wonders in the land of Ham." - Ps. 105: 27.

Exodus 7: 8-17. NOTES AND HINTS.

The first plague probably occurred at the time of the annual overflow of the Nile, that is, about

I. The miracles of Moses. God foresaw that when Moses and Aaron should appear before Pharaoh, claiming to be his representatives and to speak by divine anthority, the king would demand of them some proof of their claim, and this he prepared them to give. He told them what to do. The demand was not an unreasonable one on the part of Pharaoh. "Miracles believed lie at the foundation of all religions which men have ever received as of divine origin.' -Walker. In all ages and countries, whenever men have claimed to be the especial representatives of the Divine Being, they have also claimed to have the power to work miracles, recognizing the fact that this is instinctively demanded by men from those who make such a claim. The miracles wrought by Moses and Aaron were such as to demonstrate the power of God and to destroy all confidence of the people in the idols for or against, either as friends or foes. were accustomed to regard as gods.

Among the Egyptians serpents were objects of worship. When Aaron cast down his rod, he seemed to change a stick to a god, and when COUNTRY DWELLINGS, BARNS, CHURCHES, SCHOOL-HOUSES, AND DETACHED
CITY DWELLINGS

he took it up to change a god to a stick again.
This would not very much surprise the Egyp-This would not very much surprise the Egyptians, for many of their magicians and jugglers were snake-charmers and performed tricks similar to this. The striking feature of this miracle was seen when Aaron's rod swallowed the rods of the magicians, thus proving its superiority ever suspect them of being Christ's disciples.

II. The hardened heart. A man convinced against his will is usually of the same opinion still. Pharaoh could not deny that Aaron had done a notable thing, but had not his wise men done the same thing? The Hebrew was a juggler like the sorcerers of Egypt, only in this case, a little smarter. But the king had a hard and stubborn heart. He was unwilling to be resist all the influences brought to bear upon it. A similar manifestation of divine power had won the confidence of Moses when God commissioned him for the great work to which he had called him, but Pharaoh's heart was hardened. It is one of the bitter consequences of sin and of

power, the wisdom, the love of God. The second miracle of which an account is given in this lesson, was wrought upon one of the stubborn king's divinities. He worshiped the Nile, but its waters were made nauseous and unwholesome. At a certain season of year the river water becomes red, somewhat like blood, from natural causes, but this took place at the motion of Aaron's hand, and was followed by the destruction of the fish, which does not occur in connection with that phenomenon. It was a clear and marked exhibition of divine power, but had no effect upon the unrelenting heart of

CONUNDRUM CHRISTIANS.

hand of Christian fellowship, and yet, on the with Jesus. in douot.

about us, and this groaning old earth of ours, do not. Who are the conundrums?

those Christian professors who have one face to- the world and to discharge life's duties. But NORMAL SCHOOL BUILDING. ward the kingdom, and another—the real one doing is also an important means of grace. -toward the world. They cannot consent quite Dear Christian brother or sister, has your to live without a supposed interest in Heaven, hope faded away, and do the mists of doubt of being actuated by the same tempers, and governed by the same principles and prejudices.

They seek and enjoy the same amusements, and, fortunate, and the discouraged; take hold with to all intents and purposes, live really for the your preacher and brethren in the church. In same ultimate ends. What wonder that such a word, turn to any sort of endeavour that shall

candid beholders as conundrums? baked Christians, that is to-day up, and to-mor- growing strangely luminous and blessed. Your away from himself. AND CANADIAN MARKETS, row down; to-day hot, and to-morrow cold; to- old hope will have returned brighter, and, if day devout, and to-morrow frivolous. Now he possible, more glorious, than ever, while you, is liberal, now niggardly. He is a jumble of not less than others, will have the rare satisfacsence and noisy zeal may be confidently counted PLEASE GIVE US A CALL AT OUR NE.W on, blazing away, comet-like, with a transcend-PREMISES AND PURCHASE YOUR GOODS' ent glow of fervor and pretense, and ready with

habit of singing,-

he not solemnly bound to know whether he has unto rest. Moscow was their rest.

know, that they were disciples of the Crucified; of such a desperate conflagration. wresting even from their enemies the testimony that they had been with Jesus, and learned of

Their names are on the church register. Yet, from anything these people actually either say muttering this comfortless If, If.

their actual condition before God than there is, word If. of the facts, both within us and without; so little sensitiveness to the import of what relates

to the attitude of the soul before God."

Some one has very happily designated a certain class of professing Christians conundrum.

The class referred to presumably embraces all those nondescript, negative, equivocal believers, who, withal, are so bold, dauntless, and uncomplete the sisters sent unto him saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is so no railroad train for Heaven. No through the scene of a pious big quid of tobacco in his mouth!"

He wants those, and those only, who are so saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is so no railroad train for Heaven. No through the decided and earnest, so thoroughly furnished unto every good work and work, and those only, who are so sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of the rain, and his own reflections.—Selected.

There is no such thing as being "carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease," nor as being carried to the sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of the rain, and his own reflections.—Selected.

There is no such thing as being "carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease," nor as being carried to the sound that the Son of God—the family ried in any other way except by the scene of a pious saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is is no railroad train for Heaven. No through the door in his mouth!"

He wants those, and those only, who are so saying Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is in the door in his mouth!"

He wants those, and those only, who are so beld, he whom thou lovest is no railroad train for Heaven. No through the door in his mouth!"

He wants those, and train for Heaven. No through the door in his mouth!"

He wants those, and those only, who are so beld that the sound train for Heaven. The wants the door in his mouth!"

He wants those of the sequence of a piou whose claim to the confidence of the Christian public is always associated in the mind of the observer with an interrogation point. You do not know exactly where to place them. You do just who and what they are,—can fail at once through it all God has meaning—his glory, your church, and for the world. Even God's mercy be the crowning attribute of your peaceful home.

unequivocally, positively, Christians. They are so haunt and harass even worthy Christian peo- mination. "means of grace." Nay, verily. Prayer is that darkness into day. deeper insight. Reading God's Word is good. and less of them. 1. They are those double-faced Christians The mightier we are in the Scriptures, the found to infest almost every religious society; mightier we shall be likely to be to overcome submission to the will of God.

church-members should impress disinterested, give though but a finger's lift to the great crushcandid beholders as conundrums?

2. The conundrum Christian is one of those bearing; and our word for it, you will find the

THE HUMAN IF.

BY REV. WAYLAND HOYT, D. D.

are those who have no religion to "speak of," sure, sooner or later, to come to the limit of his are given to the average of men to be saved or persons whose religious experience is a very strength and be obliged to say this human If. lost! And worse than all, to kill a life-to doubtful or unknown quantity, who have no as- "Moscow, Moscow!" the French soldiers doze it away in guilty idleness, and wake only who dreamed a dream when in great distress of Read alternately portions from the Old and

the Lord's, and whether they really love him. rible battling. They had reached the long, low we have just spoken of reminds too closely of a ed he heard in the distance sweet strains of own wisdom understand the word of God. In And what is more, it puzzles other people quite line of the Sparrow Hills, and gazing down on certain class of listless loiterers among the ranks music. as much. Now, it seems hardly necessary to the flat landscape, they saw far off the glittering of Christ's professed followers. They are the say that this know-nothing or "long-to-know" domes and minarets of Moscow. No wonder drones of the Christian hive. They do not live attitude of soul is neither desirable nor necessary.

Is it not, indeed, a Christian's privilege to know of their great leader had shone undimmed. So such an epic as the career of a Paul or a Luther; whether he has been born again? And if so, is once more he had led them through victory they only vegetate. They lounge at the

ness. It is God only who need never say it. "shekels of silver" for the Lord's service. him. How glorious thus to be the subject of an How strong soever a man may think himself; In looking at the idle, listless piety which in unsympathizing, is yet irresistibly convinced of mists his eye cannot pierce, some complication thou, O sleeper?" its reality and power. Meantime, clearly, it is or danger concerning which his sagacity cannot Want is on every side, woes are on every he thought just this kind of faith,—this vital, active, ag- make estimate, shall force him into the utter- hand. More than half the world is spiritually gressive, joyous, conquering faith,—that moves things. It challenges attention; it arouses men; Mary and Martha, he shall find himself where never seen a Bible or heard of a Saviour. Init practically forces otherwise disinterested par-

the great Christian hive-the indolent disciples often we hear it-If I had only given that other shadows of marble churches; and every hour -those who would seem to be attempting the remedy, if I had only changed physicians or if I sees hundreds of souls bursting into dernity to practical solution of the manifestly difficult had not changed them. If I had only trusted meet their doom. those promises, or if I had not trusted them. How can a Christian sleep in such an age as problem of maintaining faith without works. In every church there are more or less of these lf, If, If,—but you have done as you did. You ours? When life grows grander every year by idlers. They have made a profession of religion. cannot change the facts, sad as they may be. the increased knowledge and extensive facilities But regret cannot help looking sadly back and for achieving great results for God and human- evidence that he was really a subject of the re-

or do, whether at home or abroad, no one would Also this human If is the language of reproach. vite the steady arm and glowing heart? When led to the change in him, as he had been wild For this conundrum attitude there is even proach. Where the If points towards results that To sleep through such a period of the world's that had impressed him? He answered: "No!" other in the display of finery, and the spiritual less excuse than for any of those previously might have been forseen and ought to have been history is a fearful crime. Truly it is "a sin "What was it, then? Did any one speak to senses of multitudes of professed Christians are named. Take, for example, the man who laments provided against, it should mean terrible and lash smothered in silks and satins. The wearing of his lack of a positive as surance of hope. In the his lack of a positive as surance of hope. In the ling reproach. Here is a young man standing on the palpitation of an age that trembles with the same response was given. "Will you, then, costly apparel, the display of fine ribbons, gold language of a late writer: "We can easily con- the threshold of life. He is solicited by tempta- footsteps of an advancing God."—The Rev. T. state what first led you to think of your soul's ear-rings, frizzes, and bangs that hide the beauty ceive of souls so habitually introspective, self. tion. He will yield, hesays. He does yield. He is L. Cuyler. questioning, and self-distrustful, that when the warned. He goes on yielding. He flatters himself great question as to whether they are really con- that though such things as he is doing do hurt verted is propounded, they are in some doubt other men, they will not him. He knows he has convinced. All his prejudices were aroused. The religion cherished by his fore-fathers, and taught to him from childhood, was attacked. All the traditions and inherited beliefs of ages were imperilled by the claims of these Hews. Naturally enough a bitter opposition was aroused in his heart, and it became hard to resist all the influences brought to bear upon it. upon the conscience, if they do not give evidence really aged before his time, and trembling and looking out for danger; for all this is done for of being just a little troubled by the question, unable. He looks back, and his reproach must of being just a little troubled by the question, they at least hesitate to return to the inquiry be this If. He is obliged to say, "If I had not of finding fault with the management of the of finding fault with the management of the least hesitate to return to the inquiry be this If. He is obliged to say, "If I had not of finding fault with the management of the least hesitate to return to the inquiry be this If. He is obliged to say, "If I had not of finding fault with the management of the least hesitate to return to the inquiry least hesitate h anything like a hasty and flippant response. yielded. If I had not burned my youthhood out of finding fault with the management of the Indeed, in the estimation of not a few nowadays, so that my manhood has no substance it can Indeed, in the estimation of not a few nowadays, an important reason why there is not more misdraw upon." The saddest thing in the wide were a special train for Heaven. They pay their church as though it draw upon." They pay their church needs no argument. Poverty toward the indulgence of a sinful disposition, that the learning and the indulgence of a sinful disposition, that the learning and important reason why there is not more missing the war a special train for Heaven. They pay their so clearly that I could resist no longer, and accordingly I went a they pay railroad fare, regarding it condition before God than there is

God for certainty of conviction—for a soulsatisfying assurance—is, not because there is really so much serene and strong faith, as because there is small courage in it, there is small co

On behalf, then, of those whose mental and sor Huxley says, "Life is a chessboard, and not managed according to their ideas of promoral make-up is thus so peculiar, so delicate, so men are players, and if, even with the best inresponsive to every hint of doubt or touch of tentions in the world you make a false move, sin, much allowance may often be made for their there is nothing for you but the consequences. seemingly doubtful character. But on behalf of No hope, no meaning, no goal. Nothing for pew-rent, observe somewhat of theoutward forms to God, than that of a pious family, kneeling these idlers, no allowance whatever can be made.

The Master, we venture to suggest, wants none of these equivocal or conundrum followers.

The Master of these equivocal or conundrum followers.

The Master of these idlers, no allowance whatever can be made.

But on behalf of the discount that of a plous family, kneeling thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

You needn't say that," quickly returned the uniting their supplications to their Father in beaven? The church them a through passage to Heaven.

Such persons delude themselves. The church the discount that of a plous family, kneeling thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

You needn't say that," quickly returned the uniting their supplications to their Father in beaven? How lovely the scene of a plous family, kneeling thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

You needn't say that," quickly returned the uniting their supplications to their Father in beaven? How lovely the scene of a plous family, kneeling thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

not know exactly where to place them. You do Just who and what they are, can land at once of the crowning attribute of your peaceful home. It is well with thee, you can answer with joy. other hand, you hold them mentally somewhat It is by the cultivation of these positive Christant lend with the sport that we ly active life. It is full of duties to be done. Wish for. But what does that amount to I It tian virtues, by devoting one's self to the more miss the vision of that resurrection. This is It is made up of Christ-like spirit wrought into will never benefit us in the least, but will rise In every church, whether large or small, there practical duties of religion, that many of those God's answer to our ifs. Through what you are He standing Sabbath of the saints.

unequivocally, positively, Christians. They are the busy, the working-class, men and women —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, —who like Christ, and in the spirit of Christ, —who like Christ, —who lik the busy, the working-class, men and women ple, are to be dispelled. To the needs, especially There is only one if concerning which this Respetfully informs the readers of the "INTELLIGENCER" ing, comforting, uplifting; making, according to regular, outgoing activity. Let us not be thought into the results of that we introduce the new the measure of their ability, "these heavens to undervalue spiritual exercises, or the so-called force Jesus Christ he will somehow change even

new and sweet." Would that all church-members belonged to this class, but unhappily they

When we are cast into the saying of these ifs, machinery, for it is to go to South America by never omit to pray with their families, morning and set them.

When we are cast into the saying of these ifs, machinery, for it is to go to South America by never omit to pray with their families, morning and set them.

The fear of God and the love of God are the cast into the saying of these ifs, machinery, for it is to go to South America by never omit to pray with their families, morning and set them.

Let us get the mastery over our human If by "I have no cares, O blessed Will,

For all my cares are thine. I live in triumph, Lord, for thou. Hast made thy triumph mine."

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surance, no conscious knowledge, of their per- shouted. They shouted it almost as shipwrecked to yawn and sleep again. Surely, if it be a mind about religion. He thought he stood in New Testaments. Begin at the beginning of sonal acceptance with God. They are in the sailors shout the Harbor. They ha dtraversed huge crime to take away the life of another, it the outer court of heaven, and he saw a glorious each. Mark when you leave off, and begin

"station-houses" and beside the stream of busy really passed from death unto life? Was Paul, But how mistaken they were. Great as their existence, and let human plans go forward, and think ye, ever harassed by any doubts touching the matter of his divine acceptance? Doubt! Imagine Paul singing and sighing, "Tis a point I long to know." Nay, on the other hand, he

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So that as their data to human plans go forward, and the human plans go forwa says, "We know." And, by the way, what a tory to ashes, and then that retreat amid the glorify the Creator, and to save perishing hutonic virtue in that oft-recurring, "We know," snows of a Russian winter followed, which for manity. What is more "trying" to a pastor of his. "We know," says he, "whom we have terror and destruction has been unparalleled in of open eye and active spirit than to have the the middle of June. The others followed at in- believed." Paul knew whether he loved his history. "Sire," a woman had dared to say to avenues of duty in his Church blocked up by tervals of a few weeks, at times when the events Lord; and what is more, other people knew it. the great Napoleon as he went haughtily forth on such masses of spiritual inertia?—to go to a were not wholly out of the course of nature, but were clearly miraculous in their extent, severity were clearly miraculous in their extent, severity were clearly miraculous in their extent, severity and what is more, other people knew it. No one could ever have been conversant with Providence disposes." "I propose and dispose the wiston of a hundred fights over his ears so heavy that one might as well he might yet go in; but the next multitude did fights over his ears so heavy that one might as well he wiston of a hundred fights. Paul's life without admitting that he was a thoroughly self-denying, whole-souled follower of conductivity? And within the lf; if he had not conductivity? And within the lf; if he had not conductivity? And within the lf; if he had not conductivity? And within the lf; if he had not conductivity? And within the lf; if he had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the had not conductivity? And within the life supplementation of the life supplement Not only did they know, out by the very bold- Not only did they know, out by the very bold- nor wave their palm branches. He waited still to do. He expects us to be obedient children. ness of their confession they made other people such a season; if he had forseen the possibility voice that might speak out for God and truth, and saw that the next was a company of godly —George Muller. and a heart that might break forth in prayer, ministers and officers of Christian Churches; but

ties to declare themselves, to take sides at once, for or against, either as friends or foes.

higher power which coming not, shall leave him death. Oppression is fettering hands and hearts in almost every clime. Heathenism is found in in almost every clime. Heathenism is found in ed by mighty grace." This human If is the language of regret. How the very alleys of our cities, and under the

ity? When so many harvest-fields of labour in- generating grace of God, was asked what had

THROUGH TICKETS. A man starting on a journey buys a through

there is so little apprehension of the real nature is slight foundation for our poor lives to stand work, or laboring for the conversion of souls, or in regarding the peace and unity of the It is to this helpless, comfortles if, much of brethren; but they do claim and exercise the the modern thinking would shut us up. Profestheir taste, or if they are not promoted to posi- God. What scene can be more lovely on earth, tions of prominence. They pay their annual more like the heavenly home, or more pleasing

and then by the word of Christ be raised, than co-operative action. Christian life is an intense- It is well, we could have all the sport that we are always to be found at least a few who are dreaded, pestilent doubts and fears, that often questioning so sadly, I am weaving glorious culsaved .- M. E. Dunham.

SUNDAY WORK.

when upon a certain Saturday night in paying kneel in prayer, and hence they awkwardly sit the grave grows near, my theology is growing me off he said, "John, I want you to be on in their seats while the parents kneel. This is strangely simple, and it begins and ends with hand to-morrow morning, to push forward that a sad mistake. "Heads of families should Christ as the only refuge for the lost."

work on Sunday; it is against the commandment of the Lord, and my conscience forbids it.' "That is nothing to me," said my employer. "You may stick to your principles, but my work

of the year, and my wife and children were sick; year spending a little more than his income, duty, your responsibility, your trial, your fear; WHAT MEANEST THOU, O SLEEPER?" the shops were everywhere discharging their will become poor if he lives long enough. Livmen. But I went out, and for eleven days dili- ing beyond their means has brought multitudes -Anna Warner. We have seldom passed through a certain gently sought for work, determined that I would of persons to ruin in our generation. It is the town without seeing a certain well-dressed man not violate God's holy command. On the evenloitering listlessly at the railway station; or if we go by on the steamer, he is commonly lean- lifted my heart to God in prayer, saying, "Now, men in general do not often help themselves to those three words, "God is Love," ought to ing against a post on the wharf, and looking out of his idle, dreamy countenance, as if he wished that my bread should be given to me, and that gin to fall off, and their expenditure exceed that my bread should be given to me, and that gin to fall off, and their expenditure exceed all things.—Miss Muloch. irregular, spasmodic, impulsive, one-sided, half- fogs lifting, the stars shining out, and your way that some boat would come along and carry him my water should be sure; now thou must do the their receipts. A man who is in debt walks in away from himself.

Occasionally, we see him dozing over a newspaper on his shady piazza, and we have often felt like arousing him with the trumpet call of the affrighted sea-captain to the allocation of the shady wife. The midst of perils. It cannot but impair a next morning came. After working-hours began who should enter my home but my old the expense of others. It is also very desirable that we should keep somewhat ahead in our that we should Which for excellence, quality, quantity and cheapness, cannot be surpassed by any House in the City.

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MY COMPANY. the dreary plains of Lithuania. They had been is but little short of that to throw away our host marching up, singing sweet hymns, and there next time. When you have finished each

"Who are they?" he asked. "They are the goodly fellowship of the pro- sake that he will enlighten you. phets, who have gone to be with God."

"And he heaved a deep sigh as he said 'Alas! I am not one of them, and never shall be, and I cannot enter there." By and by there came another band equally

"Who are they ?" effect me ?" "They are the goodly fellowship of the aposword of God. Receive every word as true, with

"Alas," he said, "I belong not to that fel-The truth is, this human if belongs to finite- and to it belongs a purse that might yield up its he could not go with them. At last, as he walked, he saw a larger host than all the rest put tohim. How glorious thus to be the subject of an inner, spiritual life that not only carries satisfaction and assurance to one's own heart, but meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the meanwhile so accredits itself to the senses of the gether, marching and singing most melodiously, beholder that the latter, however unspiritual or take into account that future into whose thick to sound in such heavy ears, "What meanest there such as Manasseh and the like; and when there are thousands of Sunday school teachers who

> "There will be no shouting about them." "These are they that are mighty sinners, sav-

And then he said : "Blessed be to God! I can go with them." And so he awoke.

A LIVING EPISTLE.

Some years ago a young man who gave clear In many cases it should be the language of re- the wails of a world's sorrow rise on every gale? and thoughtless. Was it any sermon or book eternal welfare?" The reply was: "I live in of womanhood, an apology for a bonnet propped the same boarding house, and eat at the same on the back of the head, and flashy gew-gaws, table, as J. Y." "Well did he ever talk to you steal away the affections from God, send leanabout your soul?" "No, never till I sought an ness into the soul, and, instead of a full, round, interview with him," was the reply. "But," deep and abiding experience, a shallow, senti-There was a daily beauty in his life that made absence from Sabbath-school, "I had n't my looking out for danger; for all this is done for him by the employes of the railroad, and he is to with myself every time I saw him; and though, absence from Sabbath-school, "I had not my spring bonnet." There are hundreds of professed Christian parents who not only do nothing to of personal religion till I myself sought the dren, but cultivate it both by example and preinterview, yet his whole life was a sermon to me. cept. That such indulgences are baneful to our pew-rent as they pay railroad fare, regarding it cordingly I went a ht an interview with able and final results.—Conference Worker. But the question comes, is this all there is for as an equivalent for passage. They seem to him. We held repeated conversations with each

FAMILY WORSHIP.

Some families are not careful to have their children present when they worship. This is very wrong. The children should always be I had worked for my employer seven years, present. Some do not teach their children to and evening, and set them a good example in all centrifugal and centripetal forces of the moral

KEEP AHEAD.

One of the great secrets of success in life is to When God is about to bestow some great Hast made thy triumph mine."

The tus by rational choice make God the centre must be done, and if you cannot do it I do not keep ahead in all ways possible. If you once blessing on his Church, it is often his manner, fall behind, it may be very difficult to make up so to order things in his providence, as to show and so they join the church, say their prayers, and go to the sacrament. Meantime, in nearly and go to the sacrament. Meantime, in nearly all respects, they think like the world, feel like all respects, they think like the world, feel like and local size of the sacrament. The same that the headway which is lost. One who begins all respects, they think like the world, feel like and committing aside some part of the earnings, in God's message choose me and all things then the same of the sacrament. It is often his manner, fall behind, it may be very difficult to make up of our lives and not our self-strength or skill; the headway which is lost. One who begins all respects, they think like the world, feel like headway which is this poor if. This is often his manner, fall behind, it may be very difficult to make up of our lives and not our self-strength or skill; the headway which is lost. One who begins all respects, they think like the world, feel like headway which is the headway which is lost. One who begins all respects, they think like the world, feel like headway which is often his manner, fall behind, it may be very difficult to make up of our lives and not our self-strength or skill; the headway which is lost. One who begins all respects, they think like the world, feel like headway which is lost. One who begins his Church, it is often his manner, and the church, it is often his manner, fall behind, it may be very difficult to make up of our lives and not our self-strength or skill; the headway which is lost. One who begins his Church their great need of it, and so put the headway which is lost. One who begins has church, it is often his manner, and the church and the church and the church are the same of the church and the church are the ch the world, talk like the world, and act like the world. of years, is likely to become rich before he dies. wilderness, this word to Hagar, "What aileth the world, talk like the world, and act like the world, and act like the world, and act like the world and to some sweet world and the world a

HINTS IN READING THE BIBLE. "I have read," said Mr. Spurgeon, "of one | 1. Read the Scriptures regularly through

> all your readings of the Scriptures, seek carefully the help of the Holy Spirit. Ask for Jesus'

3. Read with meditation. Ponder over what you read. You see now the deeper meanings. It is better to think over a little than merely to read a great deal. 4. Read with reference to yourself. Never

others. Always ask yourself, "how does this 5. Read with faith. Not as statements which you may believe or not, but as the revealed

A WORD TO PARENTS

There are thousands of professing Christian homes they entered he could see who they were, and neither visit their scholars nor talk with them about confessing the Master, and who discharge their duties in a perfunctory manner, coming and going But to his astonishment it seemed as if all at pleasure; there are thousands of professing heaven was rent with seven-fold shouts as they Christians who yield to a whim, to which they give the name of sickness, as a reason for not attending upon their duties in the church, the Sunday-school, the home. Then there are thousands of Christian men and women, fathers, mothers, uncles or aunts, cousins, Sunday-school teachers, men and women in the church, here, there, everywhere, who are always on hand, always to be depended upon, always at work heart and soul for the Master. To which of these classes do you belong?-Christian at

> Mere Show .- We live in an age of dress and show. The church and the world vie with each

ANGELS DO NOT CHEW .- A Methodist minister, Mr. H-, was a good man, but rough in his ways, and very fond of chewing tobacco. One day he was caught in a shower in Illinois, They who daily pray in their homes do well; and going to a rude cabin near by, he knocked

> "I don't know you," she replied, suspiciously. " Remember the scripture," said the dominie, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

RANDOM READINGS The book to read is not the one which thinks for you, but the one which makes you think.

No book in the world equals the Bible for that. A good conscience is the palace of Christ ; the temple of the Holy Ghost; the paradise of de-

When we put the ear of our faith to the vail. we hear an actual voice pleading for us, and feel the pulsations of a human heart beating for us. Bishop Whipple recently remarked: "As

"Sunday morning!" I replied. "I cannot the Christian virtues."—Presbyterian Journal. universe, holding the creature reverently distant from the Creator, yet compassing the child about with everlasting love.

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and decision. Man is very great and strong, one moon an immortality has offtimes been ployment. "In keeping His commandments but he is not so great or strong that he is not won! Killing a year, when only thirty of them there is great reward."

He is the happiest man who renders the great-the largest orange. And she was a fine Latin the largest orange. And she was a fine Latin the largest orange. The largest orange and French scholar!—Congregationaliet.