

a place for every young person to fill. God has not only called us to obtain salvation but he has called us each to a specific work. He called Moses and Joseph when they were young, they did not fill same position but each had a specific work to do.

The lad gave all he had. God wants what we have, our talents, reputation and our all. If we give what we have, God can use us to bless others the same as he used the lad.

After the address words of appreciation were spoken in behalf of Revs. P. J. Trafton, F. A. Anderson, H. C. Mullen and Sister Grace Sanders, who are leaving this district.

Meeting closed with prayers by Rev. H. C. Mullen and Sister Grace Sanders. Benediction by Rev. H. C. Mullen.

VERYL SOLLOWS,

Sec. pro tem

### SUGGESTIVE BIBLE STUDY

#### Sons of God—I John 3

The apostle John seems to have expressed the relation which the Christian holds to God in the most endearing terms. Instead of speaking of God and His followers, or Saviour and saved, he brings it down where all may have a greater appreciation of that blessed relationship, and uses the terms Father and sons. To take this third chapter of John's first epistle as our lesson we find a great many marks or characteristics of the sons of God, or we might say also constitute the standard of sonship. Although not given perhaps in logical order, and sometimes even overlapping in their meaning, yet as listed below there is plenty of room for deliberation with the inevitable result of help and instruction, I believe.

1. They are loved of God. Vs. 1. Including both that love which prompted Him in saving us from sin, and a deep parental love which the world can never receive of Him.
2. They are not known by the world. Vs. 1. Disowned and misunderstood by the world.
3. They shall one day be like their Saviour. Vs. 2. A mysterious reward which none would dare ask for, but promised nevertheless.
4. They have the sure hope of that event. Vs. 3. Faith tells them that is a fact.
5. They have cleansing from sin. Vs. 3. Sin of any kind is repulsed by God, and assures His disfavor.
6. They do those things which are righteous. Vs. 7. Theirs is a positive righteousness.
7. They do not commit sin. Vs. 9. This is the dividing line between sons and non-sons. Here is where the standard begins to cut off. Wilful sin is a forfeiture of sonship.
8. They are born of God. Vs. 9. Sons by right of birth. Sons and heirs.
9. They no longer belong to the devil. Vs. 10. Have severed all connections with sin and the old life.
10. They love the other children of God. Vs. 10-11. They love not with human love which fluctuates and changes, but with God's love in the heart which is impartial and unchanging, resulting in unity.
11. They have passed from death unto life. Vs. 14. They have not only the promise but the earnest of the inheritance of eternal life within them.
12. They have a heart free from condemnation. Vs. 20. A good working conscience which is free of guilt.
13. They have confidence toward God. Vs. 21. Can look Him in the eye, and have faith in His promises.

14. They keep His commandments. Vs. 22. Not under bondage but prompted by love.

15. They please God. Vs. 22. And God smiles back His approval.

16. They get their prayers answered. Vs. 22. Because they are sons.

17. Christ abideth in them. Vs. 24. His presence is a real, unexplained mystery; both real and mysterious.

18. They are possessed of God's Holy Spirit. Vs. 24. The fulfilled promise which Jesus made just before His ascension.

### QUARTERLY MEETING OF DISTRICT NO. 3

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 3 was held in the Wood Island Church from May 21-24 inclusive, and was attended by God's blessing pouring out great spiritual showers; also in withholding the power of Satan so souls could get to God.

Thursday evening preaching service was in charge of Rev. H. S. Wilson, who used as his text Ex. 10:26. Five seekers at the altar for sanctification prayed through to victory. Praise the Lord!

Friday evening Rev. E. R. Bradley brought a soul awakening message from Ps. 85:6: "Wilt thou not revive us again."

On Saturday afternoon at 3 p. m. the business meeting was held. Rev. E. R. Bradley occupying the chair, read the 19th psalm, followed by prayer by Brother Lawrence Kelley.

Roll Call: Ministers, Rev. H. S. Wilson, Rev. E. R. Bradley, Lic. P. H. Green, Lic. B. C. Cochrane.

Officers appointed or reappointed:

President—Lic. B. C. Cochrane.

Vice-President—Rev. H. S. Wilson.

Treasurer—Bro. Eugene Wilcox.

Highway Agent—Lic. P. H. Green.

Secretary—Bro. B. E. Tatton.

Welcome and privilege to take part in deliberations extended to visitors. Devotional committee was appointed by chair. Report later accepted.

Reports were read from Beals, Jonesport, Crawford, Alexander, Calais, Seal Cove, Alley's Bay, North Head. Verbal report received from Wood Island by Lic. P. H. Green.

A hearty vote of thanks extended to the Wood Island Church for their very hospitable entertainment of visitors. Time and place of the next quarterly to be decided by officers. Adjournment. Closed with prayer.

On Saturday evening, Lic. P. H. Green delivered an excellent sermon. Text Matt. 22:5—"But they made light of it".

On Sunday, usually the best day of any quarterly, God richly blessed. At 9.30 a.m. Bro. Lawrence Kelley led the Love Feast, reading Rom. ch. 10. We were refreshed by his comments; also by the testimonies and praise of the rest of God's saints. At 11 a.m. Rev. E. R. Bradley preached from I Thess. 5:23—a blessed and familiar verse to dwellers in Canaan. Praise the Lord! One was sanctified at the close of the preaching. Praise the Lord again! At 6 p. m. Bro. Wm. Bruce was in charge of the Y. P. meeting, using David as an example of how young people can be successful Christians, always conquering by trusting in the power of God. A testimony meeting followed.

The regular preaching service began at 7.15. Rev. H. S. Wilson preached a strong, appealing message, taken from Luke 2:7, the theme "There is no room for Jesus in the inn".

Great blessing attended the after service in

charge of Lic. P. H. Green. Even after this service evidence of God's working power was seen in drawing to the altar three fine young men. Two of these testified to pardon; the other to cleansing. All very definitely. Praise the Lord.

Judging by the evident results of God's presence in saving souls, and also by the deep feeling of the glory of God coming in greater power in our lives, we feel this surely was the best quarterly we have ever attended. In all there were seven souls sanctified and two pardoned during the quarterly. May God's blessing be ever with them. Our hearts were blessed too in the spirit-filled singing of Sister M. Orcutt of Massachusetts; also by the prayers of Sister Butterworth of the same place.

With all this encouragement behind us, let us continue to strive "to apprehend that for which we also are apprehended of Christ Jesus."

Yours in the Master's service,

BERNARD E. TATTON,

Secretary.

### WHAT WONDROUS LOVE.

John Newton

I saw one hanging on a tree  
In agony and blood;  
He fixed his languid eyes on me  
As near his cross he stood.

Sure, never, till my latest breath  
Can I forget that look;  
It seemed to charge me with his death,  
Though not a word He spoke.

My conscience felt and owned the guilt,  
And plunged me in despair.  
I saw my sins his blood had spilt,  
And helped to nail Him there.

Alas! I know not what I did—  
But now my tears are vain;  
Where shall my trembling soul be hid?  
For I the Lord have slain.

A second look He gave which said,  
"I freely all forgive;  
This blood is for thy ransom paid,  
I die that thou may'st live."

What wondrous love! Thy life to give,  
That I might ransomed be.  
Had I a thousand lives to live,  
I'd live them all for thee.

### HUMILITY

Humility is perfect quietness of heart. It is to have no trouble.

It is never to be fretted, or vexed, or irritated, or sore, or disappointed.

It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed or despised. It is to have a blessed home in the Lord, where I can go in and shut the door, and kneel to my Father in secret, and am at peace as in a deep sea of calmness, when all around and above is trouble.—Andrew Murray.

"Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest to your souls." Matt. 11:29.

"Be clothed in humility." 1 Pet. 5:5.

So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. Prov. 3:9-10.