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“Jesus said unto him,  
Ephphatha, that is,  
Be opened,” Mark 7, 34.



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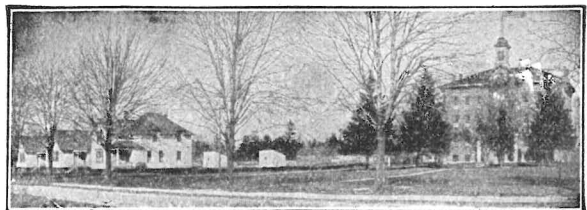
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### The Spokane Field.

I have been in the Spokane field just one year now, and after looking over the territory and prayerfully considering its possibilities from every angle, I think that with the help of God it will become a flourishing field. The deaf in the city



Rev. F. Hischke.

of Spokane and also those served at the various stations are very eager to have us preach the "good news about Jesus" to them, and their regular attendance wherever it is possible for them to attend bears witness to the fact that their desire to be served is not only a spoken word. The Spokane station stretches

out its arms to a distance of eighty miles. It is not only occasionally that the deaf from isolated places attend, but they come as often as time and circumstances will permit. During these times, of course, it is rather hard for them to face the financial burden which these trips entail. Here we cannot help but mention that dear motherly lady who comes thirty miles to attend each service. During her recent illness her smiling face was greatly missed in our midst, but we all united in thanking our merciful God for having again blessed her with sufficient strength to endure the thirty-mile round trip to attend the services.

The same must be said about our Yakima station. The little flock there is scattered over the entire Yakima fruit valley, and still their regularity and their eagerness is a sufficient reward for the time spent and the distance covered to visit them.

The new station opened at Lewiston, Idaho, looks very promising to me. The deaf there are eager to attend our services. Up to the present the services have been held at the various houses; but now we have secured the use of the Wisconsin Synod church at Clarkston, Washington, and will have our services there. May the good and gracious Lord bestow His bounteous blessing also upon this flock, so that they may be gathered into His fold and look upon Him as their only Shepherd and Savior!

Because of the great distances the deaf must travel to attend our services at Missoula, Montana, and because of the hard times the attendance there

has been rather small. Many of these deaf had been employed at the sawmills, but because there was no call for lumber, they were either dismissed or given just a few days' work. Some of them moved out of the territory, and others who live a great distance from Missoula could not spare the necessary money to pay the train- and stage-fare to come into the city. The deaf living in the city or near it have been very faithful in their attendance and have shown a desire to learn more about Him who died for them.

With regard to our Spokane station we are happy to report that harmony prevails there; and not only is it found in their social gatherings, but it runs strongly through their church relations. Any one coming into our midst will experience no difficulty in feeling at home. These deaf are all eager to lead more and more people to the precious knowledge that Jesus has shed His blood on the cross to wash away not only their sins, but also the sins of those with whom they come in contact.

Let us ask you, dear reader, to remember us

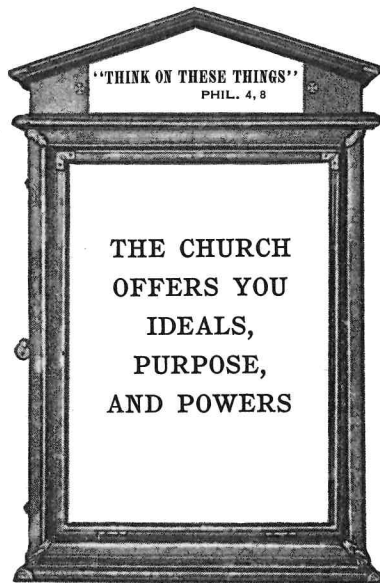


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They have done much to keep the flock together during the absence of the pastor and are at all times doing all in their power to build up the flock which the Lord has chosen as His own in Spokane.

in your prayers. Beseech the Lord to hold His protecting hand over us and to strengthen in us more and more that faith which passes all understanding.

F. HISCHKE.



## EDITORIAL.

### Satan, the Enemy of Man.

There is a story of an old Christian servant whose master was an infidel. One day the master went duck-shooting with his servant, and turning to him suddenly, he said, "How is it that the devil never tempts me and always worries you? Why should he tempt a Christian more than an infidel?" Before the servant could find an answer, a flock of ducks came within range, and the master fired into them. He then directed the servant to make haste to secure the wounded birds first and let those that were dead wait till last. When the servant returned to his master, he had found the answer. "You see," he explained, "it is this way with the devil. He thinks I am only a poor, wounded soul that he wants to make sure of first, but you are surely his, and you can wait." There is indeed a great deal of theology in this servant's reasoning. If a man is a sincere Christian, it seems as if every influence of evil were arrayed against him.

Satan is not a myth, but a reality. The ungodly world would have us believe that he is only the invention of pious minds; but God tells us in His infallible Word that Satan really exists and is the enemy of his Lord and of humanity. Satan was created holy and blameless like the angels, but rebelled against God and was sent to the bottomless pit, from which there is no escape.

He is a fallen creature, and his very existence is dependent upon the will of the Most High.

Satan has retained certain powers, which he uses to destroy the works of God. He delights in leading the Christians, whom God loves, into sin.

The Bible admonishes us frequently to beware of the temptings of Satan and cites many examples of his success in deluding the children of God. For example, we read of Peter's sin. Peter was a true disciple of Jesus; he had witnessed the miracles of Jesus; he had seen Jesus raise the dead, heal the sick, give sight to the blind and healthy limbs to the cripples. He knew the power and glory of His Savior, for he had confessed, "Thou art the Son of the living God." Yet Satan succeeded in deceiving this disciple, who had boasted that he would die with Jesus rather than betray Him. He frightened Peter into a base denial through the taunts of a weak maiden.

Satan likewise to-day tempts God's children through evil thoughts and suggestions to doubt the promises of their Savior. Especially when he is able to catch the Christian at a disadvantage, in times of illness or at the approach of death, he sends his fiery darts of doubt and fear into the hearts of God's elect. At such times the Word of God alone is able to comfort the Christians. Then they need to remember that death is a messenger from God beckoning them upward and onward, where they shall no longer be liable to sin nor subject to temptation nor vexed with infirmities. God tells us that this corruptible shall put on incorruption and this mortal shall put on immortality, 1 Cor. 15, 54.

Such promises of God give the Christians the spiritual power to overcome the temptings of their enemy and make them willing to depart this life without fear, to receive glorification with Jesus, their Savior. By faith in Christ death is stripped of its dread, and its curse is changed into a blessing. When the Christians thus combat Satan with the Word of God, as Jesus did in the desert, there can be no doubt of the final victory.

Luther says when the devil came to him with a long sheet containing a list of his sins, he said to him, "Is that all?" the devil said, "Oh, no," and he brought a list which could have gone around the world. But Luther said: "Write at the bottom of the list: 'The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin.' It does not matter how long the list is if it has been stamped 'Paid in full.'" May we ever be able by God's

grace to join the Christian poet in his hymn of hope and faith:—

Mid the storms of doubt and unbelief we fear,  
Stands a Book eternal that the world holds dear;  
Through the restless ages it remains the same—  
'Tis the Book of God, and the Bible is its name.

'Tis the Book that tells us of the Father's love  
When He sent His Son to us from heav'n above,  
Who by richest promise creates hope within,  
For 'tis through His blood we are saved from every sin!

'Tis the Book that tells us of the will of God  
And the Savior's teachings while the earth He trod,  
How He soothed earth's sorrows and relieved its woe,  
Through whom strength is given to conquer every foe.

'Tis the Book that tells us of eternal life  
After faithful service in a world of strife,  
And this glorious triumph over death's dark fears  
Is the world's best gift in an age of countless tears.

O. C. S.

## Studies in the Chief Teachings of the Bible and the Catechism.

### Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, in His Everlasting Kingdom.

Jesus Christ is the mighty King over all. With power He rules over all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. That is the Kingdom of Power. But He is also the King of Grace in His Church, which is the Kingdom of Grace. Not all people are in this kingdom, but only those who trust in His grace and forgiveness. And those who continue in faith unto the end He will take with Him into His Kingdom of Glory.

The Kingdom of Glory is an everlasting kingdom. Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, speaks of it, saying: "And *He shall reign* over the house of Jacob *forever*, and of His kingdom there shall be *no end*," Luke 1, 33. And the prophet Isaiah says of this King of Glory: "Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be *no end*," Is. 9, 7. A kingdom of everlasting glory—how anxious we ought to be to enter this kingdom!

In this Kingdom of Glory are all the holy angels. On the Last Day, Christ "shall come *in His glory* and *all the holy angels with Him*; and then shall He sit upon *the throne of His glory*," Matt. 25, 31. God let John look into this Kingdom of Glory; and he "heard the voice of *many angels round about the throne*; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand and thou-

sands of thousands," Rev. 5, 11. And together with the holy angels will be all the saints, people who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb, Rev. 7, 14, and have served Him in the beauty of holiness, Ps. 29, 2. Paul writes to all Christians: "When Christ, who is our Life, shall appear, then shall *ye* also appear *with Him in glory*," Col. 3, 4. Therefore "we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change *our vile body* that it may be fashioned *like unto His glorious body*," Phil. 3, 20, 21. And we Christians should "walk worthy of God, who hath called *you unto His kingdom and glory*," 1 Thess. 2, 12. And on the Last Day all believers "which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them [the believers raised from the dead] in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so *shall we ever be with the Lord*," 1 Thess. 4, 17. In heaven there will be nothing but glory, while here we have trouble and sorrow, Acts 14, 22; John 16, 33. "Now we see through a glass, darkly; but *then face to face*," 1 Cor. 13, 12. "Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear, *we shall be like Him*; for *we shall see Him as He is*," 1 John 3, 2. Come, let us stay with Christ unto the end in order that on the Last Day we may stand at the right hand of Jesus and hear these precious words: "Come, ye blessed of My Father, *inherit the kingdom* prepared for you from the foundation of the world," Matt. 25, 34.

In heaven we shall behold Christ's glory, John 17, 24. There is laid up for us a crown of righteousness, 2 Tim. 4, 8. Forever and ever we shall sing unto this King of Glory saying one to another: "Alleluia! For the Lord Omnipotent [Almighty] reigneth. Let us *be glad and rejoice and give honor to Him*. For the marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife [the Church] hath made herself ready," Rev. 19, 6, 7. Forever and ever we shall serve Him; "and there shall be no more curse; but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it. And *His servants shall serve Him; and they shall see His face*," Rev. 22, 3, 4. Great glory awaits you who trust in the Lord Jesus and His salvation to the end.

Of this Kingdom of Glory also our Catechism tells us in the Second Article: "And I shall live under Him *in His kingdom* and *serve Him in everlasting* righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity." And in the Third Article we con-

fess: "The Holy Ghost will at the Last Day raise up me and all the dead and give *unto me and all believers in Christ eternal life.*" For this kingdom we pray in the Lord's Prayer: "Thy kingdom come."

Come, trust in His grace and forgiveness and then wait for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ, Titus 2, 13; and on the Last Day you shall with Him enter His everlasting kingdom, 2 Pet. 1, 11.

"Even so, come, Lord Jesus," Rev. 22, 20.

J. L. S.

## THE BREAD OF LIFE.

### Bible-Studies for Sundays in June, 1932.

"Pray."

Our Savior Jesus Christ prayed very much. Often He went up into a mountain and continued all night in prayer, Matt. 14, 23; Luke 6, 12. And He wants us to pray; for He says: "Ask, seek, knock," Matt. 7, 7. Do you pray? Do you pray every day? Do you take all your wants and needs to Him in prayer? Do you call upon His name in every trouble? Do you ask Him to grant you His Holy Spirit? Do you pray for the sick? Do you pray for your own salvation and for that of others? Pray, my friend. God will hear your prayer, for His Son Jesus says: "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you," Matt. 7, 7. Great blessings will come down upon us if we pray. Therefore "pray without ceasing [stopping]," 1 Thess. 5, 17. Ask Him to bless also these Bible-studies in the hearts of all who read them unto the glory of His holy name.

#### Study for Sunday, June 5.

"The devil was a murderer from the beginning,"

John 8, 44.

Bible-Lesson: John 13, 21—30.

"When Jesus had thus said, He was troubled in spirit and testified and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you that one of you shall betray Me. Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom He spake. Now, there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved. Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him that he should ask who it should be of whom He spake. He then, lying on Jesus' breast, saith unto Him, Lord, who is it? Jesus answered, He it is to whom

I shall give a sop when I have dipped it. And when He had dipped the sop, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly. Now, no man at the table knew for what intent He spake this unto him. For some of them thought because Judas had the bag that Jesus had said unto him, Buy those things that we have need of against the feast, or that he should give something to the poor. He then, having received the sop, went immediately out; and it was night."

It was the last night before Christ's suffering and death. And He was with His disciples eating the passover. And He knew that one of His disciples would betray Him and give Him into the hands of His enemies. That troubled Him. It made Him sad that one of His own followers would turn against Him. And now He told His disciples: "Verily [truly], verily, I say unto you that one of you shall betray Me." These words troubled also the disciples; for they "looked one on another, doubting [wondering] of whom He spake." Every one feared that it might be he. And they wanted to know. One disciple whom Jesus loved was leaning on Jesus' bosom (breast). That was John. And Peter beckoned, or nodded, to him that he should ask Jesus of whom He was speaking. John did ask Him, and He answered: "He it is to whom I give a sop [a piece of bread] when I have dipped it." And when He had dipped it, He gave it to Judas. He knew it all before it happened. He is the Son of God. Willingly He went into death for you and me. Thank Him for His love and kindness.

When Judas had eaten that sop, Satan entered into him. He now was the devil's own and did as the devil told him. How terrible! So many people give themselves to the devil to do his work. And he leads them on the way of sin to everlasting punishment. Judas was deceived. Let us daily watch and pray that the devil may not deceive us and that we may not give up Christ and His salvation for the things of this world.

Christ knew it all, and He said to Judas, "That thou doest, do quickly." He wanted to finish the Father's work for the salvation of the world and therefore told Judas to hurry with his evil work. The disciples did not understand these words. Judas carried the bag, that is, he was treasurer for Jesus and His disciples. Therefore they thought that the Lord wanted him to buy things for the feast or to give something to the poor. Judas then immediately (quickly) went out; and it was night.

He went out into the dark night to do his work of darkness. Come, let us not walk in darkness and do the works of darkness like Judas, but let us follow Jesus, the Light of the world, and walk in the light unto the glory of our Savior Jesus Christ, who willingly went into suffering and death for us.

Read this Bible-lesson again and answer these questions in writing: 1. How did Jesus in this lesson show that He is the Son of God? 2. Who is always near us, trying to lead us away from Christ?

*Prayer:* Kind Savior, gladly and willingly Thou wentest into bitter death for us. Thanks and praise be to Thee for it. Help that we daily watch and pray and that we may not be deceived by the devil. May we always walk in the light unto Thy glory! Amen.

### Study for Sunday, June 12.

*"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another," 1 John 4, 11.*

**Bible-Lesson: John 13, 31—38.**

"Therefore, when he [Judas] was gone out, Jesus said, Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in Him. If God be glorified in Him, God shall also glorify Him in Himself and shall straightway glorify Him. Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek Me, and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go ye cannot come, so now I say to you. A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another. Simon Peter said unto Him, Lord, whither goest Thou? Jesus answered him, Whither I go thou canst not follow Me now; but thou shalt follow Me afterwards. Peter said unto Him, Lord, why cannot I follow Thee now? I will lay down my life for Thy sake. Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for My sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow till thou hast denied Me thrice."

Judas had gone out into the night to do his wicked work. And Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified." Through His suffering and death He entered into the glory which He had with the Father from the beginning, and His people shall praise Him for His great salvation forever and ever. And in Christ, God is glorified. He receives glory for the wisdom and love and mercy manifested in Christ and His blessed work. And "God shall glorify Him in Himself and shall straightway [quickly] glorify Him." God raised

Him from the dead and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places. Let us, too, glorify this Jesus who went into suffering and death for us and give glory unto the Father, who raised Him for our justification and has made Him Head over all things to the Church, Eph. 2, 22.

Jesus was going away, and of this He spoke to His "little children," His dear disciples. Yet a little while He would be with them, and then they would seek Him; but as He had said to the Jews, so He said to them now that whither (to what place) He went they could not come. He was going away to the Father; but they still had some work to do in this world, and therefore they could not yet go with Him to the heavenly kingdom. And then they should remember this new commandment, that they should love one another as He loved them. He loved them as a father loves his children, and therefore He called them "little children." And His love should be an example to them, and by their love to one another all men would know that they were His disciples. And He loved also us, and we should love one another as He loved us. His dying love should be a shining example unto us. If we would know how we should love one another, let us look to the cross of Jesus. A love greater than any love will then shine into our hearts, and we shall be filled with love towards others. And thereby people shall know that we are Jesus' disciples. Do you know His love? Do you love others as He loved you?

Peter could not forget Christ's words about going away and asked, "Lord, whither [to what place] goest Thou?" Jesus told him that he could not follow Him now, but should do so afterwards. Later Peter would follow Him into glory, but not now. Peter, however, wanted to follow now and would lay down his life for Christ. But Jesus knew that he was not yet ready to follow and said to him, "Verily [truly], verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow till thou hast denied Me thrice." And so it happened. Yes, when we must suffer for Christ, then we so easily deny Him. Come, look to Him who was crucified on the cross for you. That will give you strength and boldness to suffer with Him here, and after this life, in heaven, you shall see His glory.

Read this Bible-lesson again and answer these questions in writing: 1. How was Jesus glorified? 2. How shall people know that we are Christ's disciples?

*Prayer:* Glorified Savior, thanks and praise be to Thee for Thy great love to us on the cross. May we stay in Thy love! And so fill our hearts with Thy heavenly love that we love one another as Thou hast loved us. Amen.

### Study for Sunday, June 19.

*“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life,” John 6, 47.*

**Bible-Lesson: John 14, 1—6.**

“Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto Him, Lord, we know not whither Thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto Him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.”

In chapters 14, 15, and 16 we find the last words Jesus spoke to His disciples before He died. Sweet comfort He gives them in these words. And they still are full of comfort for us all.

We, too, find much comfort in these verses of our lesson. Those who believe in God and the Lord Jesus need not be troubled and need not worry. Let us remember this also for these days of unemployment and other troubles. Believe in God and His Son Jesus Christ, and you need not fear. Yes, you need not fear forever; for a beautiful home is waiting for you. “In My Father’s house are many mansions [beautiful homes],” He says. There the believer shall live in peace and plenty. And this is not an empty hope. If it were not so, He would have told us. He has gone to prepare a place for His Christians, as a father goes away and prepares a place for his family.

And He will not forget us. As a father will come again to get his family when the place is ready, so our Lord Jesus says, “I will come again.” This is our hope and comfort in this world of trouble. He will come again and receive us to Himself, for He wants us to be with Him forever. He had often told His disciples whither (to what place) He was going, and which way leads there, and therefore He said: “Whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.” Do you know the way? Perhaps some of us will have to say as Thomas did: “We know it not.” Listen to the Lord Jesus as He says: “I am the Way, the Truth, and the

Life.” He is the Way to the Father. He is not only the Way-shower, as some people want to tell us. No, He *is* the Way. This Jesus who died, rose again, and went up to heaven is the Way. But He is also the Truth. He tells us the truth about God and how He loves us and wants us all to be saved. And, again, He is the Life. He that believes in Him has everlasting life and is saved forever. He is the true Way to life. And there is none other. Therefore He says: No man comes to the Father except by Me. People who do not believe in this Christ who died for sinners will die in their sins and will never see life. Friend, do you know this Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and the Life? You cannot live forever without Him. “Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved,” Acts 4, 12. Come, trust in Him and live forever.

Read this Bible-lesson again and answer these questions in writing: 1. What did Jesus say about the Father’s house, and what is He now doing there for His people? 2. What does He say about the way to the Father’s house?

*Prayer:* Lord Jesus, Thou art the Way to life and art preparing a place for us, and Thou wilt come again to receive us to Thyself. For this we thank and praise Thee. Keep us with Thee, the true Way. And may we bring many others to Thee, the only Way to the Father’s house! Amen.

### Study for Sunday, June 26.

*“I and My Father are one,” John 10, 30.*

**Bible-Lesson: John 14, 7—14.**

“If ye had known Me, ye should have known My Father also; and from henceforth ye know Him and have seen Him. Philip saith unto Him, Lord, show us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou, then, Show us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father and the Father in Me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of Myself; but the Father that dwelleth in Me, He doeth the works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me; or else believe Me for the very works’ sake. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do because I go unto the Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in My name, I will do it.”



Jesus came from the Father and is the Way to the Father for all sinners. Therefore, if we know Christ, we know also the Father. The disciples did not yet fully know Him, but after His suffering and death and resurrection they knew the Father and had seen Him. In Christ they saw the Father and His love for sinners. You cannot know the Father without Christ.

Philip did not understand these words of Jesus and therefore said: "Lord, show us the Father, and it sufficeth [satisfies] us." Jesus is surprised at Philip; for he had been with Him such a long time, and yet he did not know Him. And again He told him: "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father, and how say you, then, Show us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father and the Father in Me?" His words and works showed that this is true. He spoke not of Himself, and the Father, who dwelt [lived] in Him, did the works. And these works ought to urge every one to believe that He is in the Father and the Father in Him. Therefore the Bible also tells us of His words and works. In Him we see the Father and His mighty works. Therefore believe in Him. He is the mighty Savior sent from the Father to save also you.

And those who believe shall do great works. He says: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also." Indeed, the believers do the works that Jesus did. They call upon God and in the name of Jesus do wonderful works. And He says furthermore: "And greater works than these shall he [the believer] do." Christians go out into all the world and save souls from sin and death and everlasting punishment. These are the greater works, greater than healing the body. Also Jesus went out preaching and seeking lost sinners, but only in that little land of Palestine. His Christians should do greater works. And they shall do them because He is going to the Father. Through His suffering and death He went to the Father and so finished the great work of salvation; and now He is the Head over all things to His Church. And in His name and by His power Christians do these greater works in all the world. Friend, we still are in this world to work for our Lord and Savior, to do these greater works, to bring the Gospel to all the world for the salvation of all men. May we gladly and eagerly do it!

Surely we are only weak men and can do nothing of ourselves. Therefore we must seek the

Lord and His power and pray to Him in everything in His name. He will give us strength and boldness. We have His promise: "Whatsoever [anything that] ye shall ask in My name, that will I do." He will do it for the glory of the Father, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. And we need not doubt, but firmly believe that He will hear us. Therefore He says again: "If ye shall ask anything in My name, I will do it." Let us therefore ask Him in everything, also in this great work of saving souls, always trusting in His promise: "I will do it."

Read this Bible-lesson again, answer these questions in writing, and then send all your answers to your pastor: 1. How did Jesus show that He is in the Father and the Father in Him? 2. Which are the greater works that Christians do?

*Prayer:* Mighty Savior Jesus Christ, grant us grace to believe that Thou art in the Father and the Father in Thee and that Thou camest into this world and through suffering and death for us wentest into glory. O come, accept our prayers in Thy name. Hear us and bring us and many other sinners to Thee and Thy everlasting glory. Amen.

J. L. S.

### Lutherans to Meet at Milwaukee.

Triennial Convention, June 15 to 25.

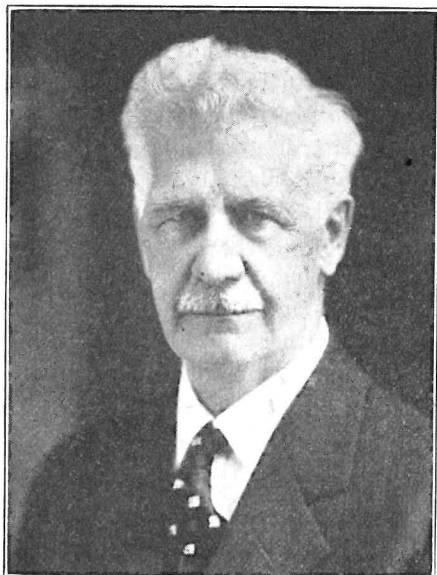
**Million Members to be Represented by Delegates from All States and from Foreign Countries.**

More than a thousand delegates, representing 1,150,000 members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States, will assemble at Concordia College, Milwaukee, Wis., for the triennial convention from June 15 to 25. Reports of activities during the past three years will be rendered, and action will be taken on a large number of recommendations from conferences, officials, and individual congregations, many overtures being of unusual interest and importance. Decisions vitally affecting educational and missionary endeavors must be made to meet economic conditions.

Elected delegates and pastors and members throughout the country are particularly interested in the report of the Survey Committee elected at the last convention to make recommendations as to the higher educational system of Synod, which comprises seventeen colleges and seminaries from Oregon to New York and from Alberta to Texas. The proposals of this committee, published a year ago, has aroused much interest and discussion.

The most important mission-reports will be rendered by the Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension, whose sphere extends from Alaska to Mexico and includes work among

seldom grumbling. Those who do grumble are a spineless lot. You will find deaf people willing workers; they do not consider deafness a handicap. I have been deaf for twenty years, have acquired



Rev. F. Pfothenauer, D. D.,  
President of Synod.

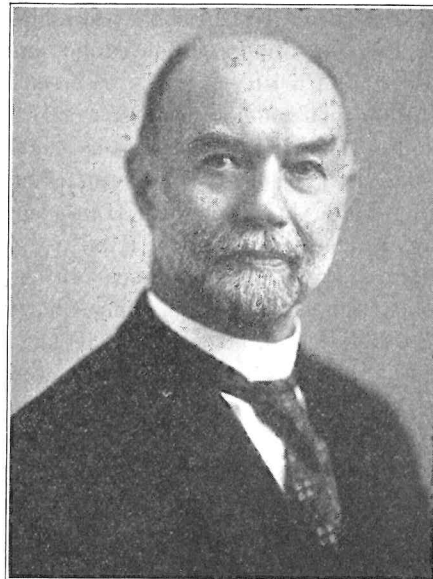
Germans, Persians, Lithuanians, Poles, Letts, Slovaks, Italians, Spaniards and Mexicans, the American Indians, the deaf-mutes at 134 places, and the blind. Foreign fields are in France, Germany, Finland, Esthonia, Brazil, Argentina, China, and India. Work among the Negroes of the South and larger Northern and Western cities is carried on together with the affiliated Wisconsin, Norwegian, and Slovak synods.

*Synodical Press Committee.*

### Not Unfortunate.

We quote from the *Chicago Daily Times* the following statement written by Miss Sadie Crooks, a deaf young lady of that city who is making good in a business of her own and who manifestly takes a cheerful view of life:—

“To consider that deafness is a misfortune is an insult to deaf people as a whole. There are thousands of deaf people in Chicago, and they are divided into three classes: the hard of hearing, the deaf oralists (lip-readers), and deaf-mutes (those who talk with their hands). I find that they are, as a whole, a care-free, happy lot of people, taking life’s knocks with a smile and



Prof. L. Fuerbringer, D. D.,  
President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

a fair education, am a lip-reader, and mingle with the deaf and hearing people alike. I have been in business for the past eight years and do not call myself unfortunate—far from it.”

*The Companion.*

“TRIALS are God’s vote of confidence in us.”

### IN THE MORNING MAIL.

*Portland Mission.*—On Easter Sunday six adults were received into membership of the church, four in Portland and two in Salem, Oregon. Mrs. Annie Elkins and Mrs. Cora Walthers were confirmed, and Mrs. Pearl Smith, Mrs. John Lidberg, Mrs. W. Toll, and Mr. Earl Hughes received Holy Baptism. Four children, Charles Lidberg, Bernice Lidberg, Raymond Peters, and Marion Hughes, were presented to the Lord in Holy Baptism on the same day. God willing, a number of pupils from the School for the Deaf at Vancouver, Washington, will be baptized and confirmed before the close of the school term.

Mrs. Eaton has returned from California to make her home in Salem, Oregon. Mr. F. Delanoy is still confined to his home through illness. Though unable to attend services in church, he diligently reads his Bible and the Bible-studies in the DEAF LUTHERAN, finding comfort in the words and promises of his Savior. May the Lord speed his recovery!  
E. EICHMANN.

*Minneapolis Mission.* — In April we held the first service of this year in Aberdeen and Big Stone City, South Dakota. In Aberdeen we are instructing four deaf preparatory to confirmation. It is to be regretted that we cannot visit these stations oftener. At Big Stone City services were held in the Reischke home, where there are three deaf daughters. The sight of Edith, the eldest of the three, has been failing of late, and she now is not able to follow the signs so very well. We therefore gave her the confessional address and the sermon into her hand, taking her left hand on our right and carrying it with our hand while making the signs. She rejoices that she is thus able to understand more of the sermon. During the service her sister Hermay took her hand and carried it with her right hand, copying the signs of the pastor when he offered prayer, rendered hymns in signs, and preached. As soon as we get the alphabet and other lessons in the Moon type for the blind, we shall send it to her, and we are sure she will soon be able to read the Word of God with her finger-tips. We surely ought to rejoice that we can thus bring the Word of Jesus also to her.

We are sorry to be obliged to report that Miss Marion Olson at the Glen Lake Sanitarium is again confined to her bed. Remember her in your daily prayers. Our comfort is that "all things work together for good to them that love God," Rom. 8.

Miss Engberg has been ill nearly all winter. May God restore her health, so that she may soon worship with us again in church.

Walter Acker, who since January has been in the Gillette State Hospital, has returned to his sister's home in Minneapolis. He expects to attend our services in the near future.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Koch on April 1. Hearty congratulations!

Miss Skovholt, a former member of Grace Chapel, now is Mrs. Henry Schlanser. Mr. and Mrs. Schlanser will make their home in Los Angeles. May Jesus be with them and bless them!

J. L. S.

*Mission for the Blind and the Deaf.* — During our recent visit to the Kentucky School for the Deaf in Danville we spent a pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fosdick. These teachers of the deaf have been associated with the Kentucky school for many years. They volunteered the information that the DEAF LUTHERAN is being read with pleasure and profit in their home.

We also take this opportunity to express to Mr. and Mrs. Broadus our heartfelt thanks for their kind co-operation and assistance in gathering the deaf of Lexington and the surrounding territory for divine services. They are indeed helping to promote Christ's kingdom among the deaf. May the Savior graciously reward them for their Christian activities!

In recent weeks several of our relatives, among them Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Spiegel and family and Mrs. Augusta Liebman and her children of Detroit, Michigan, and Fort Wayne, Indiana, have contributed funds to our Mission for the Deaf and the Blind as a memorial gift in honor of J. E. Spiegel, who passed away on April 7. We hereby express to the kind donors our sincere appreciation of their gifts.

J. E. Spiegel, our brother-in-law, was a sincere Christian and a loyal Lutheran. We have the firm, unwavering conviction that he is now living in glory with the saints of all the ages. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them," Rev. 14, 13.

O. C. S.

*Cleveland Mission.* — A difficult situation confronted us at the State School for the Deaf at Columbus, Ohio, some time ago in regard to religious instruction. The question was how it could be arranged that the children of Lutheran parents and those who had no church affiliation could be given weekly instruction. Obviously it was out of the question that a trip be made down there every week from Cleveland. Fortunately the problem was solved in a very satisfactory manner. Mr. A. E. Anderson came to us from North Dakota. He had accepted the position of assistant printer at the State School. In the beginning he taught the class on the Sundays on which the pastor could not be there. It soon became



Lutheran Pupils of the Ohio State School for the Deaf at Columbus who Attend Our Classes and Services.

Four members were absent when this picture was taken.

evident, however, that the class had to be divided on account of the difference in ages of the pupils. The group was divided into three classes: the primary class, the catechumen class, and the Bible class. This new arrangement required that additional help be obtained for the teaching staff. Miss Ada Lauver and Mrs. Peter Samolis declared themselves willing to serve as teachers. Thus the Lord solved a difficult problem for us. In His great mercy and love He gave us capable and faithful teachers; in His goodness He has led many to the knowledge of, and faith in, Jesus, His beloved Son.

On Sunday, April 17, three members of this year's catechumen class were confirmed. The pupils who joined us by confirmation are Miss Mae Shank, George Young, and Blair Harvey. We pray that God may let His fatherly hand ever be over them and His Holy Spirit be with them and that He would so lead them in knowledge and obedience that they will remain faithful unto the end.

N. E. B.

**TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT  
OF COLLECTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.**

For three months, ending March 31, 1932.

*Rev. F. A. Hischke.*

Spokane	\$21.59
Lewiston	3.01
Yakima	3.19
Missoula	1.25
Roselea	.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29.54</b>

*Rev. J. L. Salvner.*

Walter and Helena	
Hartig	\$1.00
Dawson	2.60
Watertown, S. Dak.	1.10
Fergus Falls	2.35
St. Peter	3.00
Arlington	3.25
Mr. and Mrs. Mattson	.10
Mary B. Hanson	.25
Florence Fossum	.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14.15</b>

*Rev. W. Ferber.*

Duluth	\$12.40
Grand Forks	5.93
Devils Lake	1.60
Fargo	3.42
Bemidji	.85
Staples	1.70
Lengby	.56
Cloquet	.48
International Falls	1.55
Mr. Pletzke	2.00
Rev. Hertrich	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$31.49</b>

*Rev. A. C. Dahms.*

South Bend	\$5.25
Portland, Oreg., congregation;	
Royal Cooke, treas.	30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35.25</b>

*Rev. E. J. Scheibert.*

Toledo	\$21.96
Mount Clemens	1.10
Jackson	2.34
Saginaw	3.86
Niagara Falls	4.46
Buffalo	4.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$38.05</b>

*Rev. N. E. Borchardt.*

Findlay	\$6.44
Fremont	.80
Columbus	4.90
Cleveland	6.74
Erie	5.98
Pittsburgh	4.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29.11</b>

*Rev. E. Eichmann.*

Vancouver	\$5.31
Salem	8.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13.40</b>

*Rev. G. H. Ferber.*

Los Angeles	\$33.14
Pasadena	.91
Porterville	1.00
Glendale	3.93
Anaheim	.25
Orange	1.08
San Diego	2.32
Long Beach	5.60
Santa Barbara	4.00
Alhambra	3.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$55.62</b>

*Rev. Wm. Gielow.*

Fort Wayne	\$20.10
Flint	.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20.85</b>

*Rev. G. W. Gaertner.*

Berkeley	\$11.00
Oakland	10.10
San Francisco	7.60
San Jose	6.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35.16</b>

*Rev. A. E. Ferber.*

Colorado Springs	\$2.39
Denver	1.43
Herington	1.80
Olathe	.25
Pueblo	.95
Joplin	.25
Atchison	6.44
Kansas City	8.43
Lawrence	4.85
Leavenworth	.30
Oklahoma City	3.08
Springfield	1.26
Salina	.75
Tulsa	1.07
Wichita	9.69
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$42.94</b>

*Rev. F. C. Gade.*

Watertown	\$3.65
Delavan school	8.41
Sheboygan	6.28
Oshkosh	3.83
Kenosha	.65
Reedsburg	1.05
Madison	6.19
Merrill	2.52
Manitowoc	.76
W. S. D.	2.22
Baraboo	1.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$37.01</b>

*Rev. C. Schubkegel.*

St. Charles	\$3.45
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*Rev. M. E. A. Mueller.*

Waco	\$1.75
Fort Worth	3.62
Houston	2.60
Austin	2.55
San Antonio	6.50
Wichita Falls	2.98
Dallas	1.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21.54</b>

*Rev. O. C. Schroeder.*

Washington, D. C.	\$2.34
Chattanooga	4.30
Rome	1.70
Cave Springs	1.10
N. N.	2.75
Lexington	1.02
Rev. O. Graebner, Carrollton, Mo.	5.00
Mr. McDonald	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19.21</b>

*Rev. E. Mappes.*

Lincoln	\$2.40
Fort Dodge	8.46
Boone	2.31
Sioux City	3.20
Mitchell	3.65
Sioux Falls	5.76
Columbus	.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26.13</b>

*Rev. W. A. Westermann.*

Anacortes	\$3.88
Tacoma	7.60
Bellingham	1.31
Aberdeen	1.08
Vancouver	3.90
Everett	.82
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18.59</b>

*Rev. E. C. Baker.*

Jacksonville	\$3.60
Paducah	1.00
Memphis	2.05
Little Rock	2.40
Pine Bluff	.80
Port Smith	2.15
Rogers	.60
Evansville	4.80
Vincennes	2.60
Terre Haute	3.45
Farina	1.15
Indianapolis	2.25
Lewisville	5.55
Columbus	1.00
Richmond	5.15
Cincinnati	1.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$39.75</b>

*Rev. A. Boll.*

Baltimore	\$7.85
Albany	.95
Kingston	.50
St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109.30</b>

*Rev. J. A. C. Beyer.*

La Crosse	\$ .85
Dubuque	.10
Mason City	.85
Albert Lea	1.60
Eau Claire	2.05
Lake City	2.95
Winona	4.15
Red Wing	1.00
Stillwater	1.15
Black River Falls	1.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15.92</b>

G. F. KRUSE, Treasurer.

**RECEIVED FOR BLIND MISSIONS  
BY REV. A. H. KUNTZ.**

For three months, ending March 31, 1932.

*January, 1932:—*

Alma Wakendorf	\$ 2.00
Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania	5.00
Augusta Bloedorn	2.50
Emma Stohlman	5.00
Minnie Wahlers	1.00
Ella Adams	1.00
J. T. Schmidt	2.00
Mrs. A. Christenson	3.00
Clara Koch	1.00
Emmanuel Church, Orange, Cal.	1.00
Sophie Staab	1.00
St. Paul's Girls' Club, Albany, N. Y.	10.00
Anna B. Miller	1.00
Martha Sievers	2.00
Rev. Paul Guelzow	1.00
Elva Guelzow	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$39.50</b>

*February, 1932:—*

Pennsylvania District of Walther League	\$6.00
"King's Messengers," Cleveland	5.00
Rev. R. Jesse	4.00
Mrs. Ophelia Hough	1.00
Augusta Feldman	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>

*March, 1932:—*

Samuel Hoch	\$2.00
Rev. O. K. Hensel	3.00
Dr. A. O. Anderson	5.00
Karl Freytag	1.00
Clarence Wong	1.00
Rev. Norman Croft	1.00
Anna K. Becker	1.00
St. John's Sunday-school, Quincy, Ill.	5.00
Medina Leiby	1.00
N. N.	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21.00</b>

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