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LOCAL NEWSPAPER BIBLE STUDY CLUB

Suggestive questions on the Sunday school lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Newspaper Bible Study Club.

Dec. 29th, 1909. The Birth of Christ—Matt. 1:1-12.

Golden Text—And thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins.—Matt. 1:21.

Verse 1—Where is Bethlehem, the birth place of Jesus?

Where was the home of Mary and Joseph, the parents of Jesus, and how did it happen that they were at Bethlehem at this time?

What was the probable nationality of these "wise men"?

Verse 2—Is there any evidence, and if so what is it, which indicates that God, in past ages, has revealed himself to other peoples than those of Jewish origin?

Give your own idea of this star that the wise men saw, which indicated to them that a Jewish king had been born; was it objective or only subjective?

Were the wise men right in their opinion, that Jesus was "the King of the Jews," as they were in the fact of his birth?

Verse 3—What is the evidence for or against the idea that it was God's original intention for Jesus to be the literal king of the Jews, as the wise men stated, and as Herod feared?

Why should Herod and all Jerusalem be troubled at the announcement of the birth of a Jewish king?

Verses 4-6—What prophet is here referred to, and where in the Bible did these priests and scribes quote from?

Did the prophet they quoted from, and did these priests and scribes think that the expected Christ was to be an earthly King? Why?

Verse 7—What is it which makes diligent study of a worthy object, either noble or ignoble?

Verses 8—How would you describe a man with the motive of Herod, when he sent these wise men off on their mission of finding Jesus?

What, if any, reason is there to believe that there are those today who attend church, and thus pretend they are earnestly seeking Jesus, who have practically the same motive as Herod had?

Verse 9—If a man today would see the Christ, what "star" does he need to follow to be sure of being led to him?

Give your reason for your idea whether it is to the favored few only that God sends a "star" or its equivalent, pointing to where Jesus may be found, or are all men similarly treated?

Verse 10—Mention some things which always produce joy, and then describe that which produces the greatest joy to mortals known. (This must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verse 11—What is the ground for certainty for the statement that those who really seek Jesus always find him?

What are the emotions which are stirred by the motives which are formed and the deeds which are done by everyone who really seeks and finds Jesus?

Verse 12—Is there any liability that those who live in the presence of Jesus will ever be duped into betraying him or his cause?

Is the day of the supernatural guidance of God's children past, or is there reason to believe that it is as operative as ever?

Lesson for Sunday, January 2, 1910 John the Forerunner of Jesus. Matt. 3:1-12.

Neglect of the Flag. Several days ago a teacher in an Eastern school was requested by the parents of a number of Italian children to teach them how to salute the American flag. The teacher was much embarrassed and confessed that this was not a part of our educational system...

It would be interesting, but perhaps depressing to patriotism, to learn how many public school teachers in this country know nothing of this salutation and make no attempt to put it into practice. We boast that the American flag floats from our public school buildings...

While other nations safeguard the sacredness of their banners, the American people hold its obligation lightly. The national emblem has been debased as an advertising medium; it is burlesqued upon the stage and openly insulted by enemies of the republic...

But no one in authority appears to conceive it any part of his public duty to insist that the American flag be held in proper respect.

This is the day of theories and reformers who seek to change the existing order of things. The "muck-raker" is abroad in the land to expose and demoralize without offering anything to take the place of the thing condemned.

The tendency is toward anarchy, and anyone who stands patriotically against this sort of thing is denounced as a "reactionary." But there must be a return to the faith of our fathers, which faith was embodied in veneration of the flag as symbolizing things American.

There is no better place to begin than in public schools. It may be a legitimate exercise of "personal liber-

ty" for demagogues to jeer at the flag, but the children should be taught that it means something to them. Because of someone's veneration for the flag the children of America today are enjoying the privileges of free and universal education. They are no longer compelled to sweat in shops and factories or to be driven like cattle in the field.

SHELLEY FLITTING BUT TAKES TIME TO BOOST

Carson, Wash., December 11, 1909. Dear News:

Your paper comes to us like a letter from home, and is very welcome. This week it was especially attractive by its big headlines under which we note so many sales of orchard lands at good prices. In looking over the real estate transfers I note sales at \$1,000 per acre that 7 years ago the same land sold for one tenth that figure.

Since 1902 I have watched closely the work of development of your valley and looking at it from a non-resident standpoint I think I appreciate more fully than do your own people the rapid strides the town and valley are making. It has been truly said that Hood River stands in a class of its own. And it requires no prophetic finger to point to a time in the near future when land values on account of their revenue producing qualities will soar to a point in prices little dreamed of now by your most sanguine boomer.

The price of property is generally fixed by its producing power. This principle applied to Hood River will soon give it the record on land prices such as it now holds on apples, "to wit," the top price in the world.

The birds take wings and go southward at the approach of winter. And why not? We, wife and I, are a little late this year. But on Monday, the 13th, we plan to start on our annual trip to southern California.

I received a letter today from Geo. T. Prather who, with his family, is at Long Beach where also are Clinton Wood and his mother of Odell. ROSWELL SHELLEY.

OLD TIMER SAYS RAIN IS GOOD FOR APPLES

Hood River, Ore., December 9, 1909. Editor News:

It was with a smile that we noted your article, from Steinhart & Kelly stating that bad reports had been circulated in New York, that rain had injured the keeping qualities of Hood River's apples.

We would not like to go on record as positively stating as such might not be a fact.

But in primitive times, we used never to pick our apples, until after a good rain. It was found on fact and observation that the rain reduced the summer heat, arrested fermentation, and so prolonged the qualities of the fruit.

You know the U. S. government induced the orange growers, to reduce the temperature of the orange by placing the oranges in as strong a cold storage as they can stand before shipping, even though in feed cars and thereby making orange growing now a success, while before it was somewhat of a failure, so it proved to us of early horticulture in the 70s and 80s, that rain was a cooling anti-fermentation process to the apple.

Any one knows an apple found under the leaves in winter will have kept longer than had it lain out in summer heat. So to my observation and way of thinking those who try to make buncombe out of rain on apples, "are not wise in this day and generation", but are simply talking of that they know not of.

This letter is open to criticism and reply if there is any due. Respectfully yours, P. F. BRADFORD.

The Knocker Knocked

Don't knock your town, says the Dufur Dispatch. If you don't like it get out—skiddoo. There is something the matter with you, not with your town.

The Princeton Democrat notes a certain class of loafers there who have the habit. It says: "In a city of northern Indiana a few days ago a business man stopped and severely rebuked a fellow townsman whom he heard telling a stranger that the town was dead and was going backward. The business man should have been given a medal as that is the proper spirit to keep things going. There are men in Princeton who never miss an opportunity to swear their home town. Instead of pointing out the many advantages Princeton has, they tell the stranger that it is the worst ever."

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