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### SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS

On the Sunday School Lesson by  
 Rev. Dr. Linscott For the International Newspaper Bible Study Club.

April 18th, 1909.

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 The Conversion of Saul.—Acts ix: 1-20.

Golden Text—He fell to the earth and heard a voice saying until him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? Acts ix:4.

Verses 1-2—From experience, philosophically, theologically, psychologically, or any other way, how do you account for the bitter hatred of Saul for Christians?

After his conversion, did he show the same hatred toward those who opposed Christianity?

Does history justify the statement that, zealous religionists, who have not known, nor experienced the love of God, have been exceedingly cruel and bitter men?

Verses 3-4—What was the nature of the light that shined around Saul? (See Acts xxii:6, xxvi:13, I Cor. xv:8.)

Whose voice was it that Saul heard? What reason is there to believe that this was a real voice with outward sound?

Is there any sinner so bad that Jesus does not call him to repent?

Had Saul actually been persecuting Jesus? (See Matt. 25:40.)

If we hurt or help a Christian, is that actually done to Jesus?

Is there a sense in which a Christian is the actual Christ?

Verses 5—Did Saul know from the first who it was that spoke to him?

Does it always consciously hurt to fight against God?

Does wrong doing always hurt whether done in ignorance or not?

Verses 6—What makes sinners always tremble when God reproves them for their sins?

At what stage does God forgive a convicted sinner?

When was Saul actually converted? Why did not Jesus tell Saul there and then, what he wanted him to do?

Verses 7—Why does the supernatural always frighten people?

Verses 8-9—What had blinded Saul? How did Saul spend the days that he was without sight?

Did he fast because he had no desire for food, or was it a religious fast?

Is fasting of any use in these days as a help to spiritual life?

Verses 10-12—May the ability to hear God speak, be acquired by all true Christians?

Have you any experience of God telling more than one person the same thing, so that when they came to compare experiences, God's message was confirmed?

Will God always prepare us for our work, and prepare the work for us?

Verses 13-16—Is God pleased, or displeased, if we do not accept what he says, when it is not clear to us?

Verses 17-18—Did Saul at this time receive the Holy Ghost, or at the time of his conversion, and when do Christians generally receive him? (This question must be answering in writing by members of the club.)

Verses 19-22—Do all genuine converts like Saul, commence immediately to get others converted?

What was the power in Saul which gave him his great zeal, and is the same power available for every Christian?

Verses 23-25—If a person feels, or acts, in a bitter spirit toward one of a different faith, is that proof that he is not in touch with the true God?

Verses 26-30—Are Christians justified in being cautious in receiving strangers?

What is the best way for a young

convert to show he really is a Christian?

Is a true, earnest, aggressive Christian as liable to give offense in these days as was Saul?

Lesson for Sunday, April 25th, 1909.

—The Gospel in Antioch. Acts xi:19-30: xii:25

### Gold and Silver Medals Bibles—Books.

The International Newspaper Bible Study Club is for the purpose of promoting, in an unfettered way among the masses, a wider study of the Bible, the basal truths of Christianity, and the problems which enter into every man's life. It is composed of all those who join a Local Club, and take up the simple course herein outlined, barring only ordained clergymen. All who have not joined are warmly invited to do so and to compete for the prizes.

Persons may join the club at any time during the year, but must, of course answer the 52 questions hereinafter explained, to qualify for the prizes, and the back questions may be obtained from this office.

This paper has secured the right to publish the International Sunday School Lessons by Rev. Dr. Linscott, which have aroused so much interest elsewhere, and they will appear weekly. One of these questions each week is to be answered in writing, and upon these answers the prizes are to be awarded.

This paper is authorized to form a Local Newspaper Bible Study Club for its readers, and guarantees to all who join and fulfil the conditions, that everything herein promised shall be faithfully carried out.

#### CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

1. Each contestant, or his or her family, must be a subscriber to this paper, in order to qualify for membership in the International Newspaper Bible Study Club and this Local Club.

2. Each contestant in this Local Club must answer each of the written questions, for 52 consecutive weeks, commencing for Sunday, March 7, and the answers must all be in the possession of this paper within two weeks of the close of this period.

3. Each question must be answered separately, and the paper written on one side only. No answer must exceed two hundred words in length and may be less. Each answer must have the name and address of the writer at the bottom of the answer.

4. The answers must be delivered to this office, and they will be collated at the close of the contest, and forwarded to headquarters for independent examination by competent examiners. The prizes will then be

awarded according to the highest number of marks, won by members of the International Newspaper Bible Study Club, and prizes which may be awarded to members of this Local Club will be given out from this office.

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To make biscuits light—drench with gasoline and ignite before serving.

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How to remove fruit stains from lines—use scissors.

To keep rats out of the pantry—place all the food in the cellar.

To entertain women visitors—let them inspect all your private papers.

To entertain men visitors—feed the brutes.

To keep the children at home—lock up all their clothes.