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### SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS

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

June 6th, 1909.

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 The Power of the Tongue. James III:1-12.

Golden Text—Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles. Prov. 21:23.

This chapter continues the thought of last week's lesson, based on the previous chapter.

Verse 1—What class of persons are most likely to want to rule, or be "masters," those engaged in good works or those who neglect them?

Will one who is in rapt love with his fellows want to rule them, or will he judge them harshly?

Unfaithful Christians always put up a high standard for others; what effect will that have upon the standard with which God will measure them? (See Matt. 7:1-5.)

Verse 2—How much of our trouble and how much of the trouble we make for others is caused by our tongues?

If a man does not do any harm by his words, is he very apt to do any otherwise?

If a man says hard and unkind things about his neighbors, and intentionally wounds the feelings of others by his words, is he necessarily a bad man?

Is the control of the tongue the key to the control of the entire man?

Verse 3—It takes an iron bit to control a horse, what is the "bit" which will effectually control the tongue?

In what respect is an ungoverned tongue like a runaway horse with a broken bit, and what are generally the results in each case? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verses 4-5—Is it actually so that the tongue is to the man what the rudder is to the ship, that is does the tongue govern the influence of the man?

Is it necessary at all times to watch our tongues, compelling them to refrain from wrong words, and to use right words; just as the man at the wheel of a ship controls the rudder with vigilant watchfulness?

Is the tongue capable of setting a church or a neighborhood all ablaze with scandal, just as a match may set fire to a city?

Verse 6—What are some of the many "iniquities" which the tongue can cause?

Can you recall and mention some of the moral poison emitted by an evil tongue?

Do persons with an evil tongue always draw their inspiration from "hell"?

Verses 7-8—Man can do very wonderful things, in training animals and controlling the forces of nature, but cannot "tame" the human tongue, nor destroy its poison; to whom may we apply to have this effectually done?

Verses 9-12—If a man uses his tongue both for bad and for good, for "blessing and cursing," does this not stamp him as a rank hypocrite? Is it possible for a person with an evil tongue, to be at the same time well pleasing to God?

Lesson for Sunday, June 13th, 1909. Heroes of Faith. Heb. 11:1-40.

### Portland Letter.

Portland, Oregon, May 31, (Special)—All eyes are on the Portland Rose Festival that opens Monday, June 7, and lasts the whole week. During the coming few days the city will be brave

with Festival decorations and homage will be paid to the queen of flowers by her thousands of devotees. Bigger attendance than ever before is promised. The parades will outdo anything before attempted and other attractions of Festival week will be ahead of former efforts. Information received by the management indicates an unusual movement of tourists this way, while out-of-town people are expected to flock here in large numbers. The city plans to keep open house for the week and all visitors will be made welcome.

Monday, the opening day, will be "Home Coming Day" with a spectacular night pageant. The Rose show will open on Tuesday and there will be a grand electric parade. The following day there will be a competitive rose exhibit and an automobile parade in the afternoon. On Thursday the horse and vehicle parade will be given with a night pageant, "The Spirit of the Golden West." On Friday business firms of the city will keep open house and extend a general welcome to visitors. Races at the Country Club in the afternoon will delight visitors. Further chariot and harness races at the Country Club on Saturday the final day, and the annual speed contests of automobiles will be held. On Saturday night there will be a grand electrical pageant and the Festival will end in a blaze of glory. These are but a few of the attractions of the week for everyone will be on the quiver to entertain the Festival guests.

Oregon people are asked to name the Harrimen twins, the two fine new 5000-ton steamships now being built for the Portland San Francisco run. Moreover, the one who suggests the best names for the two boats will be given a prize of \$50. Anyone living in Oregon is invited to suggest names, the only requirement being that the proposed titles shall be characteristic of the state and appropriate to the new steamers. The names should suggest some well-known feature of the state and be typical of Oregon. In case a single name is selected from two different competitors, the \$50 will be divided.

R. P. Schwerin, admiral of the Harrimen Pacific fleet, with offices at San Francisco, has asked the people of this state to exercise their ingenuity in selecting fitting names for the new boats. Each one who tries for the \$50 prize should give his or her full name and address, together with reasons why the titles suggested are characteristic of this state, and letters should be addressed to J. W. Ransom, San Francisco & Portland Steamship Co., Ainsworth Dock, Portland. The com-

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petition will close June 15th.

Rear Admiral Ijichi, in command of the Japanese training ship squadron, will be entertained in Portland, together with his officers, on June 7th with a reception and banquet. In the morning the Japanese admiral and his 13 fellow officers of the fleet will be taken in hand by their fellow countrymen here and in the afternoon the naval officers will be driven about the city by the leading business men. The sightseeing trip will be followed by a reception and banquet at night at the Portland Hotel. Preparations to give the visitors a warm welcome are now being made.

### School Report

Report of the schools of Polk County for the school month ending May 14, 1909.

Number of schools in session	45		
	Boys	Girls	Total
No. of pupils remaining last mo.	979	948	1927
No. of new pupils registered during the month	8	13	21
No. pupils leaving one school and entering another	9	12	21
No. of pupils having been dropped and then readmitted	52	72	124
Total No. registered during mo.	1048	1046	2094

No. of pupils dropped during mo.	121	125	246
No. of pupils remaining Feb. 19.	927	921	1848
No. of pupils on register since beginning of school not registered in any other school	1239	1154	2393
No. of pupils registered in some other school	106	116	221
No. of pupils over 4 and under 6	11	22	33
No. of pupils over 6 and under 9	352	316	668
No. of pupils over 9 and under 12	329	303	632
No. of pupils over 12 and under 14	228	222	450
No. of pupils over 14 and under 20	319	291	610
Total	1289	1154	2388
No. of days taught during mo.	12		
Whole No. of days attendance	32560		
Whole No. of days absence	1061		
Whole No. of times late	228		
No. pupils neither absent or tardy	948		
Average No. of pupils belonging	2860		
Average daily attendance	2718		
Per cent of attendance	94.8		
No. of visits by parents	108		
No. visits by members of board	26		

Red Prairie, Lewisville, Parkers, Perrydale, Gooseneck, Harmony, Buena Vista, Lincoln, North Dallas, Etna, Concord, Oakdale, Pioneer, Highland.

H. C. Seymour,  
 School Superintendent of Polk County, Oregon.

### Why He Liked the Song.

A man who knew nothing of music and prided himself on the strictly business views he took of men and things told Mr. Frederick E. Weatherby that what he liked most about his song, "Nancy Lee," was its sentiment. Mr. Wetherby was pleased, as he relates in London M. A. P., and asked the man what it was in the sentiment which specially appealed to him. "The refrain," he replied. I pressed him to tell me what it was in the refrain he liked so well. "Why," he said, "it is the common sense of the thing." On further pressure he said: "Don't you remember what you wrote?" "Not precisely," I answered. He was good enough to repeat the refrain to me. "The sailor's wife the sailor's star shall be." "Well?" I said. "Well," he replied, "if the sailor's wife is his star, she would always be able to keep her eye on him."

The following schools are placed on the roll of honor for attendance having made 95 per cent or more;—Dallas, Smithfield, Eola, Red Prairie, Ballston, Monmouth, Perrydale, Gooseneck (100 per cent), Cochran, Elkins, Independence, West Salem, Buens Vista, Lincoln, Etna, (100 per cent) Oakdale, McCoy, Mountain View, Highland, Rogue River Valley, Mistletoe.

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