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LESSON FOR JULY 18

SOLOMON CHOOSES WISDOM.

LESSON TEXT-I Kings 2:4-15.
GOLDEN TEXT-The fear of Jehovah
the beginning of wisdom. Prov. 9:10

Last week we had the story of a young man whose childhood was unrestrained and ungoverned, who proved to be a sad failure, unable to govern the kingdom he so much de-Teday, by contrast, we study the life of a younger brother, who, under better influences, chose the way that leads to true success. Emphasize herefore the fact that this Sunday is 'Decision Day."

I. Solomon's Part (vv. 3-9) (1) Preparation (v. 3). Solomon was lookout of the open gateway of life. Still the text suggests that there was preparation for his hearing of God's wonderful promise, "Ask what I shall give thee." (a) He "loved the Lord" (v. 3). It was a wonderful kingdom David had bequeathed to his son, enough to entice any young man, yet it was in the "statutes of David" and in the worship of Jehovah that Solo Dr. A. W. Pugh mon had his chief delight. (b) He "went to Gibeon" (v. 4) because there at the tabernacle (the temple was not yet built) Jehovah particularly manifested himself to the people (I Chron. 21:29; Ex. 29:42, 43 R. V.).

(2) Presentation (v. 4). He offered "burnt offerings," a thousand, when legally one would have sufficed. The tabernacie was a type of Christ (John 1:14 R. V. and John 14:6) and each of the one thousand sacrifices also pointed forward to the Christ. The Christian has a better ground whereon to approach God (Heb. 10:1-22) GREENVILE COUNTY than that of countless sacrifices of rams and bulls.

(3) Revelation (v. 5). God appeared to Folomor in a dream, we have a better revelction in Jecus and the inspired Word, still it was a real appearance to him as subsequent events prove. (Gen. 28:12, 13; Matt. 1:20; Acts 18:9, 10). Scientists themselve confess that they know comparatively little about dreams. That God can and does even in modern times give us revelations of truth by such means is witnessed by the book by the late Dr. A. J. Gordon, "How Christ Came to Church." That dream transformed

(4) Position (vv. 6, 7). In reply to God's wonderful permission to Solomon, the setting before him of his infinite resources, Solomon first of all acknowledged his debt to David, father. God's kindness, his faithfulness and "bounty" (marg.) to David had been according to the manner of his walking in "uprightness of heart"; and to crown that kindness, he, Solomon, is "the son to sit on his throne." This acknowledgment involved a definite obligation service for which Solomon felt his unworthiness.

(5) Petition (vv 8, 9). Seeing the greatness of the responsibility now resting (v. 8) upon him Solomon's plea is for wisdom. Already he had shown that he had in him the root of true wisdom (Prov. 1:7 and Golden Solomon seemed to realize his responsibility, first to God and then to the people, for he said, "Who is able to judge this Thy great people' R. V. This is the true and right relation of duty, public or private, God first, the people afterward. Solomon asked for a "hearing heart" (see R. V. marg.). Such a request was of more value than great riches (Prov. 3:13-18) and was in line with his father David's petition (I Chron. 22:12; 29:19); another suggestion as to how fathers should pray for their sons.

II- God's Part, vv. 10-15. (1) His Pleasure (vv. 10, 11). Solomon had not asked for self, for pleasure nor for earthly power and hence God's delight. God delights in an intelligent prayer (Prov. 15:8). It is a greater thing to make a speech that pleases God than one to please man. Verse eleven tells of some of the things Solomon might have asked for, and which doubtless many of us would have asked under the same circum-

(2) His Performance (v. 12). But Solomon made a more wise choice, hence God's pleasure to do not only all he had asked, according to his human words, but more also (Eph. 3:20). His name has become a proverb, synonymous with the greatest wisdom (v. 28, Ch. 4:29-34; 5:12, ctc.). Seeking what seemed to be the minor thing God gave him the best (Matt. 6:33; Rom. 8:32; Ch. 19:22-29) and "that which then hast not asked."

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(3) His Promiss (v. 14). As though to heap up his goodness, as a sort of a reward of merit, God offered Solomon "long life" on one condition only, viz., obedience. Such a promise is ours and the world has yet to realise the wisdom of God's ordinances for the good of our physical well being (Deut. 5:16: 25:15: Prov. 5:1; 14:15-23; I Tim. 4:8). All of God's promises are conditioned upon our obedience. It is sad to think that with all of his wisdom Solomon failed to learn the wisdom of obedience (I Kings 11:42) and died a compary "vely young man.



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10:00-Sabbath school-Dr. A. Smethers, superintendent. 11:30-Public worship-Sermon or. A. W. Pugh. 8:30—Public worship—Sermon by

Monday 5:00-Meeting of the Woman's Mis-sionary Society at the church.

Wednesday 8:00-Teachers meeting. 8:30-Prayer and praise service. The public is cordially invited to attend and worship with us at all

FIRST PRÉSBYTERIAN CHURCH

Program Issued for Interdenominational Association's Annual Meeting at Greer.

Geenville, July 15 .- Arangements rave been completed for a great rally on the occasion of the 19th annual convention of the Greenville County Interdenominational Sunday School association which is to be held in the Methodist church at Greer, July 23 and 24, judging from the program which was i sued this morn ng. Inlications are that a large clowd will be present. Freen entertainment will be furnished all delegates, pro-vided the chairman of the entertainment committee, Eugene C. Few of Greer is notified in sufficient time. Delegates are requested to see that this notice is mailed at least a week before the convention day.

Greenville county has a pledge of

about \$250 to the state sunday School convention that it will have to meet this fall, according to announcement in the program. "Every Sunday school should have a part in the paying of this pledge," the statement continues. "It is for the extension of Sunday school work throughout the state. The delegates are requested to ascertain from their Sunday schools what amount to pledge, and be prepared to help take care of the county The officers of the association are:

Prof. H. B. Dominick, president. Ross Harris, first vice president. A. S. Peden, second vice president. Po. L. Rushing, secretary-treasurer.

National Aeroplane Competition This

To revive popular interest in avia-tion, stimulate domestic manufactur-ers and fliers, and assist the war and navy departments in developing aerial corps for the national guard and naval militia, a national aeroplane com-petition of broad scope is to be held throughout the present summer. The purpose of this undertaking is purely a constructive one. It is not a whole-sale amusement propaganda, but a serious attempt to encourage sane flying and impress upon the people of America, the parent country of avia-

America, the parent country of aviation, the real value of air craft ir contract to the country fair uses with which they are most familiar.

This aeronautical meet is being promoted by the Aero Club of America, backed by the various state and city clubs, as well as commercial organizations in different parts of the United States. The contest is to start July 4 and end on Columbus Day, October 12, giving more than three months of continual flying in all parts of the country, something hitherto unknown on this continent. Tentative plans and the rules as now drawn are solely in the interest of normal flying by regular airmen. The conditions of the competition are such that no encouragement is are such that no encouragement is given spectacular or foothardy work, but opportunity afforded for worth-while achievements.—From the July Popular Mechanics Magazine.

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A. R. P. CHURCH Dr. J. M. Garrison, pastor. Sabbath school at 10:30, subject: 'Solomon's Choice."

Preaching at 11:30 in the morning. Further announcement will be made in regard to the evening services.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN Owing to the absence of Rev. With-erspoon Dodge, there will be no preaching at the Central Presbyterian church tomorrow.

GRACE CHURCH Rev. J. H. Gibboney, rector. Phone

Services for the Seventh Sunday ifter Trinity, July 18th. 8:00 a. m.—The Holy Eucharist. 10:15—Sunday school. 11:30—Morning prayer and sermon 5:00—Even song.

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