

International Lesson.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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Since the serpent persuaded man to believe that he was wiser than God the majority of people have walked in that way—that is, in their own wisdom, in their own way, the way of selfishness, self-seeking, self righteousness, self glorification and renunciation of God. It is not strange that the work of Isaiah concerning Judah and Jerusalem (chapter 1, 1), and therefore the first application of its words must be to them. The summit of the whole book is seen in such passages as verse 16 of our lesson, chapter 11, 17, and similar passages, "The Lord alone shall be exalted."

1-7. This passage shows His special care of Israel and how instead of good fruit to His glory they gave Him only wild grapes and unrighteousness instead of righteousness. The same story of base ingratitude is set forth in our Lord's parable of the wicked husbandmen in Math. xxi, 33-46.

8-10. That which is here set forth as joining house to house and field to field that they may be in some sense the only people on earth is very manifest today in the so called "trusts" which have become so prominent in these last days. It would be well if none who bear the name of Christ were mixed up with these things. The Lord of Hosts hears and sees it all, and His complaint in Hag. 1, 9, is still the same. The remedy is in Math. vi, 33.

11-12. From morning until night it is a scene of but self indulgence, and in chapter xxviii, 7, it is written that the priest and the prophet, those who should be wholly for man before God and for God before man, have erred through strong drink and are swallowed up of wine. Our verses say that they regard not the work of the Lord, neither consider the operation of His hands. The same statement is found in Ps. xxviii, 5, and the rest of the chapter. "He shall destroy them and not build them up." If the adversary can only turn men from the word of God and thus from God Himself, he has accomplished much in his line.

13-17. A worse bondage than that of Egypt and a worse famine than that which affects only the body comes upon them, "not a famine of bread nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the word of the Lord" (Amos vii, 11, 12). A terrible humiliation must come, for the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in judgment and the Holy God be sanctified in righteousness (verse 16, margin). The kingdom of God shall come, and all iniquity shall be put away (Dan. ix, 24) not only in Israel, but in all the world. Happy are all who have a foretaste of the kingdom in their hearts and lives now.

18, 19. Iniquity takes such a strong hold upon some that they actually mock God and dare Him to do his utmost against them. Like the antediluvians they say: "What doth God know? What can the Almighty do to them?" (Job xxii, 13, 17, margin.) They say, "Where is the promise of His coming?" All things continue as they were. Because they will not believe God they are willingly ignorant of what has been and what will be (II Pet. iii, 3-7). These are not drunken with wine, but with their own pride and self conceit and unbelief.

20, 21. Wise and prudent in their own eyes, not knowing that they are deceived by the wicked one, they, like Eve, think that to be good which God has said they must not eat, and they count it desirable. These are the people from whom our Lord said that the things of God are hidden (Math. xiii, 23). It is written in Prov. xvi, 12, "Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit, there is more hope of a fool than of him." The word of God can be received only by the meek, the teachable (Jas. 1, 21; Zech. iv, 13, 14).

22, 23. Wine and strong drink muddle men's brains and blur their vision and wake up all the evil in them and make them to care only for their own present reward, no matter what it suffers thereby. Children regard not parents nor parents their children. The husband thinks not of his wife nor the wife of her husband. All is lost sight of in the craving for drink when once this habit has obtained control. But there are many who never touch strong drink yet are so drunken with their own intense selfishness that they cannot think of aught but how they may be pleased and how some one else may add to their comfort.

24, 25. A sudden end shall come to all their glory, and they shall find themselves in trouble from which there is no deliverance "because they have cast away the law of the Lord of Hosts and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel." According to chapter viii, 20, margin and R. V., there is no mourning for such people—that is, the mourning of His coming of the kingdom will mean nothing to them (Ps. xlii, 14; xxx, 6; cxxx, 6), for they will have only the blackness of darkness forever. We do not know that the rich man of Luke xvi was ever given to strong drink, but he was drunken with his own thoughts and possessions, and he died and found himself in torment.

26, 27. This is a look onward to the gathering of all nations that He may by them humiliate Israel and then judge the nations and deliver Israel and establish His kingdom on the earth. Compare carefully Joel iii, 1, 2, 15-17; Zeph. iii, 8-20; also Isa. iv, 2-6; vi, 3, margin; Isa. xlii, 9-13. "The Lord of Hosts hath purposed it to stain the pride of all glory and to bring into contempt all the honorable of the earth" (Isa. xliii, 9). The kingdom will come, but the unrighteous shall not see it. No drunkard nor sinner of any other kind, continuing in sin and dying in the same, can ever inherit the kingdom, but every drunkard, liar, murderer or ordinary sinner who with true penitence turns from his sin to the only Saviour of sinners, the Lord Jesus Christ, shall in nowise be cast out, but shall be washed, sanctified, justified, by the precious blood of Christ and by that greatest sacrifice ever heard of in the universe made fit for the presence of God and made a joint heir with Christ Himself (John vi, 37; I Cor. vi, 9-11; Rev. v, 10).

28. There are some preachers who only appear to work at their trade one day in the week.

29. Nothing renders the mind so narrow and so little as the want of social intercourse.

30. Many of the things we consider calamities are blessings in disguise.

MUSTANGS DISAPPEARING.

The Last Great Hunt Perhaps Help New Breed of Horses in Arizona.

The mustang hunt in northeastern Arizona a few days ago was probably the last to be held in the territory, and perhaps in all the west. While once the wild horses roamed in countless herds over the plains and among the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, they can be found in few localities now.

Forty years ago they were scarcely considered worth the trouble of catching. Later thousands were shipped to the east, where they were known as Indian ponies and were sold at prices ranging from \$5 to \$30. About ten years ago Colonel Ed Redmond held a great round-up of mustangs in eastern New Mexico and western Texas, and gathered in more than 5,000 horses. He cleared \$10,000 on his round-up, and tried the same thing several times afterward in Utah, Texas and Wyoming, but never with results so profitable.

In early days so vast were the ranges at the disposal of the cattle kings, that the grazing of wild horses never materially interfered with the cattle. In the last quarter of a century the growth of the cattle business and the utilization of the public lands have done away with the immense ranges of the cattle king days, and the mustang has become a nuisance. He used the limited range feed at the expense of the cattle men until he grew to be considered an outlaw and a thief, and then he was shot by the cowboys whenever possible.

In many instances mustangs mixed with the ranch herds and eventually became cow horses, their stamina, speed and strength usually making up for deficiency in size. A few years ago a black stallion, the leader of a herd of wild horses in northern Arizona, was finally shot after repeatedly showing his heels to the best horses in the country. On his flank was the brand of the Bar L ranch, a large establishment owned by the Ferrin company.

It was learned then, that three years before it was a half-grown colt just from Kentucky, he had escaped from the barn and joined the wild herd. He recovered from his bullet wound and for three years won races in Arizona, New Mexico and California, the combination of his good breeding and his early life with the wild herd giving him speed and stamina which sent him to the front. He beat the best horses on the frontier.

At Payson, in northeastern Arizona, where for generations the mountain-bred horses have raced, with ranches and cattle-herds as side bets, Black Eagle met his Waterloo. A ringer from New Orleans beat the black stallion by a head, and on that race hinged the ownership of not less than 1,500 steers and 10,000 sheep, with a couple of ranches and a fortune in cash. Black Eagle never won again. Apparently broken hearted, he died in the stud, ten years later, the originator of a line of stock in heavy demand in the east and in the British and German armies.—Phoenix, Arizona, dispatch.

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