

# Sunday School Lesson

June 8. Lesson X—Jesus in the Shadow of the Cross—Matthew 26: 37-46. Golden Text—He went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.—Matthew 26: 39.

### ANALYSIS

I. A CAUSE OF OFFENCE, 31-35. II. THE GARDEN SCENE, 36-46.

**INTRODUCTION**—It is very noticeable how the narrative in the Gospels becomes so much more detailed when we come to the last week at Jerusalem. The movements of Jesus are given very carefully, and we can follow him each day until the fatal ending. This stress laid upon the death was not unintentional. The great problem of the early Christians was how they could justify the cross, and defend themselves against the attacks which were often made on them because they worshipped a Saviour who had been nailed to the cross. The apostles, however, came to see that this cross was not an object of chance, but a cause of hope and pride. They found that this death was the way of salvation, so that they gloried in the cross.

**I. A CAUSE OF OFFENCE, 31-35.**  
V. 31. If we read the accounts given in Luke 22: 31-36, and John 13: 38, along with this passage, we find that the words are given in a slightly different order in each case. However, it would seem that Jesus spoke on different occasions of the danger which awaited the disciples when the terrible event of the arrest and crucifixion would take place. Christ would be the cause of offence, in so much that they would also forsake him.

V. 32. All the Gospels describe the denial of Peter, nor do they try to make any excuse for it. They describe how he was admitted into the courtyard and there denied his Lord just as the cock crew. But the Gospel of John also tells of the restoration of Peter to the former position. There seems to be little doubt that the three questions of John 21: 15-17 refer to the three denials, while the same passage shows how the repentant apostle is restored to his office. "Feed my sheep."

**II. THE GARDEN SCENE, 36-46.**  
V. 36. We now approach one of the most impressive scenes in the life of our Lord, where he passed through a most severe temptation, and seems to struggle against the thought of his impending death.

Gethsemane was a garden which had received its name from an oil press which was there. The traditional site is a little on the other side of the Mount of Olives. It was a common meeting place for the disciples of Jesus. Now it is enclosed by a wall and is the resort of many pilgrims from all parts of the world.

V. 37. He selects the three disciples who were nearest to him to be his companions. He had taken them at other times, Matt. 17: 1; Mark 5: 37. A feeling of weakness and loneliness comes over Jesus in such striking contrast to the confidence of his disciples. The meaning of his sacrifice and the nature of the struggle through which he is to pass now take firm possession of him, and he is appalled as he draws nearer and nearer to the dread moment.

V. 38. In this reference to his soul we see the full humanity of Jesus and his likeness to us in the power of suffering. There is the natural shrinking from the agony and fate that wait for him. We also note that in the hour of utter loneliness he asks for the companionship of his disciples. He who was the Saviour of the world, the son of God, is anxious to get help from his friends in his trial. He needs the assistance of human sympathy.

V. 39. A second wave of sorrow and anguish passes over him. He falls on the ground and prays. The darkness increases so that he feels he can scarcely endure this. He asks that the cup may pass. The cup was the symbol of his destiny; and the figure was used by Jesus before. See Matt. 20: 22.

V. 40. He returns to the disciples to find that they have not been able to endure his spiritual strain. They have fallen asleep. There is no bitterness in the words which he addresses to them, but there is a gentle warning to remind them how frail human nature is, and how much need there is of constant watchfulness. "Watch and pray."

V. 42. A second time he returns to pray to his Father that he may receive strength for this ordeal, but this time the battle has lost some of its violence. He realizes that the cup cannot pass, and he is ready to drink it to "the dregs."

V. 44. Yet a third time he returns to the conflict, and offers the same

prayer. Just as in the temptation that opened the ministry there came three assaults of the devil, so here also there were the three times in which he faces the conflict. But he gains a complete victory, and carries back the marks of assurance and conquest. Only, if these disciples look more closely in his face, they will see the drops of blood on his brow, evidences of the intensity of the trial.

V. 45. Jesus lets them now sleep on, since the time is at hand when they will require all their reserves of power and endurance.

### Quite Correct

"Trembling with rage, the house-owner entered the estate agent's office. 'Where's that swindling agent?' he snapped to the slumbering clerk. 'The youth awoke in a daze. 'Pardon me, sir!' he cried, springing to his feet. 'Where's your master?' asked the visitor. 'Can I be of any use?' asked the agent himself, entering the room from another office. 'Use!' ried the enraged man. 'When you sold me that house, I thought you said that in six months I wouldn't part with it for \$5,000. 'That's right,' returned the agent coolly. 'And you haven't, have you, sir?'"

### What New York Is Wearing

By ANNABELLE WORTHINGTON

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Monument of pilot after parachute jump, work of Prof. V. H. Seifert, noted German sculptor, will be placed on Emperor Frederic Place, near Berlin airport.

### Canadian Art Era Dawning

**New High Commissioner to London Addresses Closing Banquet of Royal Society of "Art and Nationality in Canada"—Growth of Exhibitions and Music Festivals Shown**

Signs of the dawning of a new era in Canadian art were observed by Hon. Vincent Massey, former Canadian Minister at Washington and recently appointed Canadian High Commissioner to Great Britain, in an address on "Art and Nationality in Canada," delivered in Moyses Hall under the auspices of the Royal Society of Canada. The concluding meeting of the society was presided over by Dr. A. S. Eve, who has just completed his term of presidency. Sir Andrew Macphail tendered the speaker a formal vote of thanks.

Despite Canada's youth and preoccupation with material development there is already a marked interest in art. It is surprising to learn, Hon. Mr. Massey said, of the scores of exhibitions of pictures now held annually throughout the Dominion, or to hear that nine or ten cities are planning the erection of art galleries or museums.

**Wireless Stations Acquired by League**  
Geneva.—The League of Nations acquired rights from the Swiss Government recently to establish wireless stations in Switzerland for use in times of emergency.

M. Motta, representing the Swiss Government signed the agreement with representatives of the League, granting exclusive management of the stations to the League, provided Switzerland has an observer at them.

The agreement stressed the value of the stations in time of war, assuring the League secretariat direct communications with all members of the League.

The agreement was the result of a decision of the League Assembly last year. "No force is greater than moral force."—Colonel E. M. House.

### How to Make Club Non-Successful

1. Don't come to meetings.
2. If you do come, come late.
3. If the weather does not suit you, don't think of coming.
4. If you do attend a meeting, and fault with the work of the officers and other members.
5. Never accept office, as it is easier to criticize than to do things.
6. Nevertheless, get sore if you are not appointed on the committee, but if you are, do not attend the committee meetings.
7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion on some matter, say you have nothing to say. After the meeting, tell everyone how things ought to be done.
8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary, but when members roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help matters along, how that the Institute is run by a clique.
9. Hold back your dues as long as possible or don't pay them at all.
10. Don't bother about getting new members. "Let Georgina do it."

### Sea Gull Undergoes Serious Operation

Milwaukee, Wis.—If sea gulls are like people, there is one gull flying around somewhere over Lake Michigan, presently flapping his wings and bragging to his fellow gulls about his "operation."

Two small boys were fishing off the lake shore. The gull spied their bait and swallowed it, hook and all. The boys dragged in the bird, but could not remove the hook from his throat.

Anton Koenig, employe of St. Mary's Hospital, was passing. He carried the gull to the hospital where Dr. Paul S. Epperson and Dr. William Studley performed the strangest operation in the history of the institution. They gave the gull an anaesthetic, removed the hook, and sewed up the incision.

The gull soon regained consciousness, wobbled about drunkenly for a while, marched toward a window, and flew out over the lake.

**Sport Similes**  
The home team got more runs than a pair of silk stockings in a Bramble patch.  
The game was tighter than a Pullman car window.

Teacher—"If you overslept an hour this morning, why didn't you bring a written excuse from your mother?"  
Modern Child—"Please, sir, she hadn't returned from the night club."

### Underworld in for Hard Time If This "Lie Detector" Works

Chicago.—Investigating the reliability of the "lie detector," as that it may make the determination of positive guilt in a criminal matter of a standardized technique, will be the work of the research committee of the University of Chicago, it is announced.

Elaborate tests, based upon a scientific background, will be undertaken at the suggestion of August Vollmer, Chief of Police of Berkeley, Calif. Chief Vollmer was the first police official to use the lie detector and is said to have successfully employed it in many cases. A court test of the admissibility of the evidence of the lie detector has been avoided by him, pending a demonstration of its scientific exactness.

Tests will be made under all possible conditions to determine how much interest a person must have in concealing facts before he shows a pronounced deception response. Co-operation of public authorities will be sought to make tests in actual criminal cases. Special attention will be paid to investigating the reliability of

the device in marginal cases involving abnormal minds as well as normal minds, under usual and abnormal conditions.

The lie detector commonly used in a portable device which registers on a moving graph the respiration and blood pressure of the person questioned, sharp variations in the record of these two functions giving proof of deception. The university investigators have available, however, a more elaborate stationary apparatus in the laboratory which also gives changes in the electric currents of the body under emotional stress. This machine will be used to check against the results produced in the portable detector.

Should the comprehensive investigation, which will involve tests of more than a thousand individuals, show that the detector is accurate under all conditions, the way will be open for its recognition by the courts. Its introduction into criminal jurisprudence doubtless would mean striking changes in the administration of the law.

### Railroading Epic Revealed in West

**C.P.R. Engineer and Fireman Undertake Risky Repair Work**

Vancouver, B.C.—With their engine under a full head of steam, but calling for immediate emergency repairs, Engineer H. J. Storey, of Brockmire, and Fireman A. Faulkerson, of Pentton, braved the heat of the glowing firebox of engine No. 570 of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and repaired displaced grates in the grate-carrier, thus avoiding serious delay to their train, which reached destination only a few minutes behind schedule.

This epic of modern railroading was revealed in the monthly educational bulletin of the Kettle Valley Railway, issued by general superintendent C. A. Cotterell, each of the two men being cited for 10 merit marks, as the company's recognition of their devotion to duty, through bravery and quick-thinking.

### Students Arrested And Duels Banned

**Eight Are Sentenced to Three Months Imprisonment**

Berlin—Eight university students, members of Teutonia Corps, were sentenced to three months' fortress confinement for indulging in the forbidden practice of duelling. The law prohibits fighting with deadly weapons, but the students assert that no mortal danger is involved when the contestants are properly protected by pads as required by the traditions of student duelling. They insist it is merely sport.

### How to Keep Books

Put them in a safe deposit box inside the vault of a large bank and then throw away the keys.  
Buy only cheap books. No one borrows books with inexpensive bindings. Arrange your bookcase so that you can press a spring when neighbors call, causing them (the books) to slide inside an invisible wall panel.  
Buy books with cactus covers.  
Have your books printed in Chinese.  
Bury your books on desert island. Make a careful chart of the island, then destroy the chart. — Brooklyn Eagle.

### Parisians Celebrate "Week of Kindness"

Paris—Paris is celebrating its Week of Kindness. Children are its special beneficiaries. A prize of 5000 francs has been offered by La Semaine for the two best books written for children. Charitable and humanitarian organizations are redoubling their efforts to succor those in need.

Walter, seeing dissatisfaction on guest's face: "Wasn't the dinner cooked to suit you, sir?" Guest: "Yes, all but the bill. Just take that back and tell them to boil it down a little!"

### Snakes to Become Household Pets?

New York.—Members of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, in convention assembled here, spent the entire afternoon attacking the campaign of opprobrium and slander that has been directed against their friend, the snake, since even the days of Mother Eve.

Gathered in a diminutive auditorium at the American Museum of Natural History, the delegates produced a little brown box full of venomous reptiles and, for an hour or so, to the utter amazement of guests who were not snake conscious, proved that you can tickle a western Diamondback behind the ears without having to send someone scurrying for the whiskey bottle.

The show, of course, was put on by the herpetologists, or snake addicts. The ichthyologists, who go in for fish rather than reptiles, sat back and watched their brother scientists defy the fangs.

The program opened with the showing of a motion picture, taken over a period of years by Miss Grace Olive Wiley. Miss Wiley, who has something to do with snakes, turtles and alligators in Minneapolis, made a personal appearance with the picture. One of the scenes showed Miss Wiley and her sister sitting before the fireplace playing with a couple of poisonous timber rattlesnakes.

Miss Wiley's movie showed snakes doing all manner of things, from shedding their skins to eating nightcrawlers and taking a bath. The titles of the picture were the significant parts. Such legends as these leaped out from the screen:

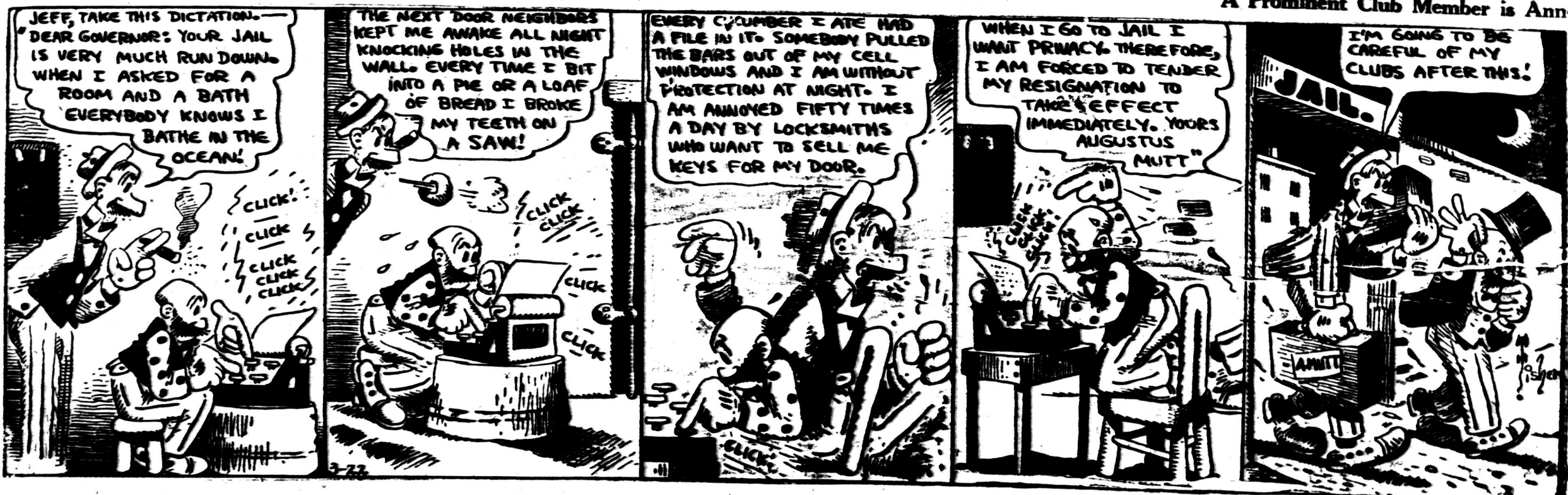
"Snakes are interesting, likeable and understandable.  
"Snakes are as much a part of human nature as birds and flowers and should be considered as such."  
"Accurate knowledge dispels fear—watch these children; they are as fond of snakes as of any other animal because they know they won't be harmed."  
"Picture of small children wrapping South American vipers and Texas rattlesnakes around their necks."

### New Altitude Mark By American Seaplane

New York.—A new American altitude record for seaplanes was made on May 9 by Capt. Boris Sefgievsky, chief pilot for the Sikorsky Aviation Corporation, who soared to more than 26,000 feet over North Beach, Long Island, in a Sikorsky seaplane carrying 1102 pounds of dead load. A sealed barograph of the National Aeronautics Association carried in the seaplane has been sent to Washington for calibration. When that is completed the record will be officially established. The previous record was that of Lieut. George R. Henderson, a navy pilot, who soared to 25,138 feet in a Vought Corsair at Anacostia on Apr. 14, 1927.

A woman lecturer touring America says she is returning home to her husband when she has finished her tour. Many a husband would like his wife to finish lecturing before she comes home.

### MUTT AND JEFF—By BUD FISHER



A Prominent Club Member is Annoyed.