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BIBLE STUDIES

"THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

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"The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up."—Matthew iv, 16.

IN the Bible symbols *light* stands as the representative of God, of Christ, of the Church, of Truth, which by and by as "the Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in its beams" for the cure of all the masses of the earth. It will scatter the darkness of sin, ignorance and superstition—the works of the Prince of Darkness, who will then be bound for a thousand years that he may deceive the nations no more until the thousand years are finished." Of the heavenly Father we read, "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all."

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Of the Church in her present condition we read, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." "Hide not your light under a bushel, but set it on a candlestick that it may give light unto all that are in the house." Nevertheless, "The darkness hateth the light, neither cometh to the light," and "the whole world lieth in the Wicked One"—in darkness.



"Thy word is a light to my path."

This thought pervades the Scriptures from first to last, namely, that for six thousand years, from the time of the entrance of sin to the second coming of Jesus, the world will be subject to a reign of sin and death—under a pall of darkness, ignorance, superstition, sin. The only ones who will see the path of righteousness distinctly will be those guided by the "lantern"—God's Word. They are represented as saying, "Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a lantern to my footsteps."

Our text tells of a better day sure to come. But never might we hope for the abolishment of darkness except in the way in which God has foretold it—through the establishment of Messiah's Kingdom—through the shining forth of the Sun of Righteousness—the Church in glory.—Matthew xiii, 43.

"Which Lighteth Every Man."

The Apostle declares that Jesus is the True Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. (John 1, 9.) The expression, "true light," implies that there are false or imitation lights, and of these we know that there are many—lights of heathendom and lights of Christendom. The only true light, however, is that which shone forth in our Savior's teachings and example. It has thus far enlightened only a few, a "little flock." These are urged to let their light shine before men that they may take knowledge that they have been with Jesus.

After eighteen centuries of the light battling with the darkness, and at times being almost quenched thereby, we might well ask, what hope is there that this prophecy will ever be fulfilled—that Jesus, as the Light of the world, will enlighten every man born into the world? The Bible answers that God will hasten this very matter in His own time; but before the world will be enlightened, a saintly class, the Church, the Bride of Christ, must be enlightened, and be completed.


Christendom's creed-lights confusing.

Then, and not until then, will the Savior and His Church in glory be the great Sun of Righteousness which will arise over the earth, and shine forth for the healing of the people, for the scattering of the darkness of sin, and the lies of error—the bringing of life, peace, joy and blessing to all who will accept the favor in harmony with the Divine requirements, but to utterly destroy the Night, and those who will still love darkness.

A Better Day Coming.

For a thousand years the glorious Sun of Righteousness (Christ and the Church, His Bride), will shine out. The work will be thorough and complete. Adam and his every child will be fully brought to a knowledge of the Truth, and will enjoy the blessed opportunity of coming back into harmony with God, by the restitution processes. Acts iii, 19-23.

Then our text will have most ample fulfilment—all mankind shall see the great Light which God has provided; even those "in the shadow of death" must come forth, that all may be enlightened by this "True Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world." O, the happy day that is coming to our poor, sin-cursed earth! There shall be no more curse, thank God! Instead of the curse shall be the Divine blessing; "and every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth shall be heard saying, 'Praise and glory and honor and dominion be unto Him that sitteth upon the Throne, and unto the Lamb, forever!'"

In Desperate Mood.

"That prima donna has a voice like an angel's." "You think so," responded the impresario, resentfully. "Well, I don't know how an angel talks when things don't go to suit her. But if I thought they all sounded like this prima donna, I'd think twice before wanting to go to heaven."

Pure Air on the Sea.

Tests have shown that the air in the crowded sleeping quarters of modern warships is purer than in barracks or average residences ashore.

INSTEAD OF DARNING

HOW USEFULNESS OF STOCKINGS MAY BE PROLONGED.

Does Not Pay to Spend Much Time in Mending Hosiery—Are Useful in Making Rugs for the Nursery.

In these halcyon days of guaranteed hosiery—at a very moderate price, too—it can be said with emphasis that it does not pay to spend much time darning stockings. When they have really begun to give out, the putting of a whole hour on a large heel hole is nothing less than wicked. The sensible housemother prefers to put by the ragged socks and stockings and to buy new rather than to spend on prolonging the life of a couple of pairs for two more wearings the time that would suffice to make a new outing shirt or simple tailored waist.

But there is no need to throw old black stockings in the rag bag for want of ways to use them. First of all, a well worn black sock is one of the best things to be had for use in sponging off dark clothes with household ammonia or other cleaning fluid. It leaves no light colored lint, and is soft and absorbent to handle. A supply should be always in some convenient place if the men of the household have a way of wearing black or dark blue suits for everyday.

Woven rag carpet is no longer a thing despised. Through the winter many home lovers return to the old fashion of sewing carpet rags, to be woven into serviceable rugs for nursery and sitting room, as well as for the furnishing of the summer bungalow. The touch of black is most desirable to set off the brighter stripes, and for this purpose old black stockings cut around and round in spiral fashion, or as an apple is peeled, to make a long strip, will be found useful to the very toe.

One notable housewife uses stockings in the mop that she polishes floors and wipes up with, as they are softer than the mops usually sold. Wherefore, save the old stockings.

ALL AROUND the HOUSE

Potato water is good to take mud stains from cloth.

A root-bound fern soon indicates its condition by dropping fronds.

Sunflower seeds make better bait than cheese for the mouse trap.

It is better to wipe off meat with a wet cloth than to let water run over it.

Jellied veal can be deliciously seasoned with lemon juice and celery salt.

Equal parts of milk and lukewarm water are excellent for sponging palms.

A pinch of borax in cooked starch will make the clothes stiffer and whiter.

A bread pudding may be deliciously flavored by a few slices of candied orange peel.

To place ferns upon the window sill means their death, as they cannot live in a cold draught.

Dried lemon peel sprinkled over coals will destroy any disagreeable odor in the house.

When blowing out a candle, hold it high and blow upward to keep the grease from running.

Hot biscuits, generously buttered and spread with currant jelly are delicious served with game.

A better iron rest than the ordinary metal stand is a firebrick, as it does not cool the iron so rapidly.

Home-Made Vinegar.

Save all your apple parings and put in crock or granite pan and cover with water, let stand a few days, then strain through a thin cloth. A large salt sack will do—and squeeze, but not hard enough so the parings will come through. Rinse all your syrup pails and pitchers and put in the juice, or you can put in a little brown sugar. Then set where it is warm and let work. If you will have any mother from old vinegar put that in, but it will make its own mother. This makes good vinegar and saves buying at stores.

Potato Farel.

Peel six large potatoes, cut them in halves lengthwise and scoop out the centers, leaving the shells about one-half inch in thickness. Season two cups of chopped raw beef with one tablespoonful of softened butter, one tablespoon of tomato catsup, one teaspoon of minced parsley, one-half teaspoon of minced onion, one-half teaspoon of salt and a few grains of pepper. Fill the potato shells with the meat, sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake with equal parts of butter and hot water.

Savory for a Beef Stew.

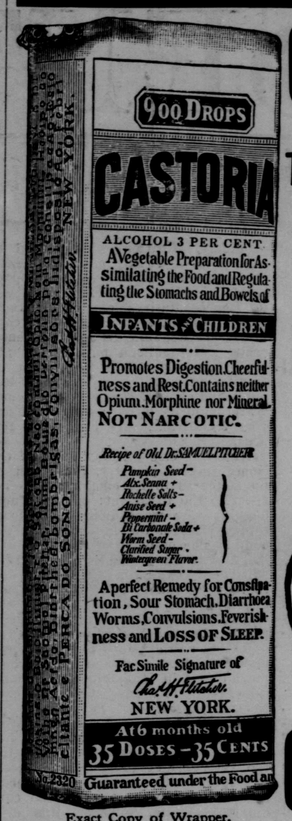
(For about three pounds of meat.) Take one medium sized onion; stick it with three cloves; add one blade of mace, one teaspoonful of peppercorns, one-half teaspoonful of allspice, one tablespoonful of salt, one-half teaspoonful of summer savory, one-half teaspoonful of thyme, one-half teaspoonful of marjoram; one tablespoonful of lemon juice, one tablespoonful of mushroom or tomato catsup or a few drops of Worcestershire sauce.

Policemen Dog's Only Enemies.

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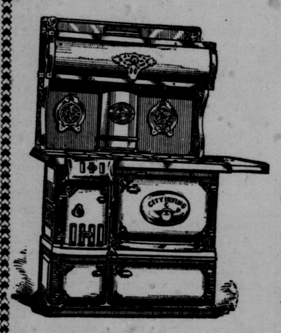
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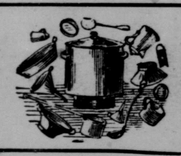
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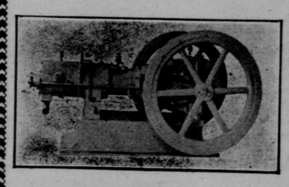
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