

**For You to Answer**

1. If you have quarrelled with someone, why should you try to make it up before you say your night prayers?

2. Write down the twelve words of the 'Our Father' that tell us this.

3. We know that God gives us bread to feed our bodies, what Bread does He provide to feed our souls?

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**ELEVENTH CHAPTER**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Verses 1-4*

**READ** how, when the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, He taught them the Our Father.

**Other Lessons on Prayer**

*Verses 5-13*

**READ** too, how Jesus tells us that God knows our needs and will give us what is best for us.

Complete the work given.

**Complete sentences by choosing the right endings from those given on the opposite page:**

1. The best of all prayers is —
2. Jesus Christ Himself made —
3. In the Lord's Prayer God is called —
4. God is called Our Father because He is the Father of all Christians whom —
5. God is also the Father of all mankind because He made them all and loves —
6. We say "Our Father" and not My Father, because being all brethren, we are to —
7. When we say "Hallowed be thy Name," we pray that —
8. When we say "Thy Kingdom come" we pray that —
9. When we say "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" we pray —
10. When we say "Give us this day our daily bread" we pray that —
11. When we say "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us," we pray that —
12. When we say "Lead us not into temptation" we pray that —
13. When we say "Deliver us from evil" we pray that —

- (a) God may give us daily all that we need both for soul and body.
- (b) God may help us to resist temptation.
- (c) ..... God may keep us safe from all harm.
- (d) The Our Father or the Lord's Prayer.
- (e) God may be known, loved and served by all His children.
- (f) Our Father.
- (g) That we may let God reign over us in this world and so reach the Kingdom of Heaven.
- (h) The Lord's Prayer.
- (i) And preserves them all.
- (j) God may help us to do His will in everything, as the Saints do in heaven.
- (k) He has made His children by Holy Baptism.
- (l) God may forgive us our sins, as we forgive others the injuries they do to us.
- (m) Pray not for ourselves only, but also for all others.

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**ELEVENTH CHAPTER**

**The Dumb Man**

*Verses 14-20*

**READ** how Jesus cast a devil out of a dumb man and of the wickedness of those who suggested that Jesus got his power over evil spirits from the devil.

**For or Against**

*Verses 21-23*

**READ** how Jesus says that the Christians cannot be neutral. If we are not active in His service we are doing His cause harm.

**The Unclean Spirit**

*Verses 24-26*

**READ** how useless it is to try to root out vices unless we plant virtues in their place. We all know what happens to a piece of uncultivated ground: it soon becomes choked with weeds. If our souls are to be free from the evil spirit they must be filled with the Holy Spirit.

**Blessed Are They**

*Verses 27-28*

**READ** what Jesus said to the woman who called His Mother Blessed.

Our Lady's chief claim to be called blessed was her perfect obedience to God's word. Even being Jesus' mother would not have made her blessed among women if she had not been the one woman who loved and served God perfectly. Anyone who hears God's word and obeys Him perfectly will be numbered among the blessed.

**Demand for a Sign**

*Verses 29-33*

**READ** what Jesus said to those who demanded a sign.

**For You to Answer**

1. What happened to the man when the devil was cast out of him?

2. What happens to a kingdom that is at war with itself?

3. What is the state of a man when the evil spirit that has been cast out of

him, returns with other evil spirits and repossesses him?

4. Can we become holy just by avoiding evil without trying to do good?

5. Whom did Jesus say were blessed?

6. Who was sent to preach to the Ninevites?

7. What effect did his preaching have on the Ninevites?

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**ELEVENTH CHAPTER**

**The Candle**

*Verses 33-36*

**READ** what Jesus says about light. The light of God's grace should illumine our whole being so that its shining beautifies our souls and glorifies God.

**Jesus and the Pharisees**

*Verses 37-44*

**READ** how Jesus dined at the house of a Pharisee and how the Pharisee criticised Him because He omitted the ceremonial washing before eating.

**READ** how Jesus read his thoughts and how He condemned the hypocrisy, inconsistency and pride of the Pharisees.

**READ** how He condemned those who made much of outward cleanliness whilst inwardly they were wicked and impure.

Some of us are quite rightly very particular about our personal appearance and would be ashamed to wear soiled clothing or go about with dirty hands. Are we equally particular that our minds and conversation are pure?

**The Lawyers**

*Verses 45-52*

**READ** how one of the lawyers challenged Jesus.

**The enmity of the Scribes and Pharisees**

*Verses 53-54*

**READ** how Jesus' plain speaking infuriated the Scribes and Pharisees so that they were prepared to add His death to their list of crimes.

**For You to Answer**

1. Who had invited Jesus to a meal?

2. Why did His host criticise Jesus?

3. Which part of the cup and dish did the Pharisees cleanse?

4. Which part did they neglect?

5. What did the Pharisees leave on one side?

6. Which seats in the synagogues did they love?

7. What wicked resolution did the scribes and Pharisees make?

8. With what were they going to browbeat Jesus?

TERESA had a proposal of marriage from Ernest Hall. He was a rich business man and very kind and generous, but he had no religion, and declared that if he had any children, he would not allow them to be brought up as Catholics, and would not even let them be baptised. Teresa was fond of Ernest—married to him she would have plenty of money to spend, a nice house and everything to make life pleasant.

Teresa knew that such a marriage would be a registry office affair, and that she would be committing a grave sin to marry in this way.

After praying very hard, Teresa decided to refuse Ernest's offer.

### **What kind of girl was Teresa?**

VERA heard that the Catholic travelling mission was coming to her village on Easter Sunday, and that confessions would be heard before Mass. There and then, Vera made up her mind to make her Easter Duties.

The week before Easter, she drew some money out of the savings bank, and went off to the nearest town to buy herself a new outfit to wear on Easter day. The shop assistant promised to send the parcel off in good time, but on Saturday evening it had not arrived.

Vera said: “I can’t go to Mass in my old clothes,” and so she stayed at home and did not go to confession or to Mass and Holy Communion on Easter Sunday.

### **What kind of a girl was Vera?**

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TWELFTH CHAPTER

#### **Jesus' Teaching**

*Verses 1-4*

**READ** how Jesus warns His disciples not to be influenced by the Pharisees and tells them that one day all hypocrisies shall be revealed.

#### **Fear God**

*Verses 4-6*

**READ** how Jesus tells us not to fear men whose power to hurt us ends when we die, but to fear God, who has power to inflict eternal punishment.

#### **God's Loving Care**

*Verse 7*

**READ** Jesus' assurance that each one of us counts in God's sight.

#### **Loyalty to Jesus**

*Verses 7-10*

**READ** how Jesus promises to acknowledge His loyal followers but will disown those who disown Him.

#### **The Guidance of the Holy Spirit**

*Verses 11-13*

**READ** how Jesus tells His disciples not to worry beforehand how they are to answer when they are accused, but to rely on the Holy Spirit to tell them.

#### **The Rich Fool**

*Verses 13-21*

**READ** of Jesus' refusal to arbitrate in a dispute over property and how He warns His hearers against covetousness.

**READ** the Parable of the Rich Fool, which tells of a man who was absorbed in hoarding his riches and having a good time. It is a warning to all of us who care more for worldly things than for God's service.

#### **Trust in God**

*Verses 22-31*

**READ** how Jesus tells His disciples to leave themselves in God's hands for He knows their needs and will surely provide for them.

**Choose the Right Ending:**

1. What is hidden will —
  2. He takes every hair of your head —
  3. He who disowns me before men —
  4. A man's life does not consist in —
  5. Life is a greater gift than —
  6. Can any of you, for all your fretting, add —
  7. Make it your first care to find the kingdom of God —
  8. Where your treasure-house is —
  9. Blessed are those servants whom their master —
  10. The Son of Man will come at an hour —
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- a. will be disowned before God's angels.
  - b. when you are not expecting Him.
  - c. all be known.
  - d. will find watching when He comes.
  - e. into His reckoning.
  - f. and all these things shall be yours without asking.
  - g. having more possessions than he needs.
  - h. a cubit's growth to his height?
  - i. food.
  - j. there your heart is too.

**In God's sight were they Wise or Foolish?**

**What do You Think?**

HENRY had a well paid job and good prospects of promotion. His Catholic mother had died soon after he left school and he lived with his non-Catholic father. One day Henry got a letter from a firm of solicitors asking him to call. Henry got a day off from his job, and called at their office in London. The senior partner saw Henry and explained that an old aunt of his father's had died and left all her property, some twenty thousand pounds, to Henry, on condition he gave up his Catholic faith.

"Perhaps you would like to think it over," the lawyer suggested. But no, Henry decided there and then he would take the money and accept the conditions laid down in the will.

He signed the papers the lawyer put before him and received a cheque for twenty thousand pounds. As he walked along, his mind was so full of the good time he would have and of plans for spending this windfall, that he forgot the dangers of the traffic. He stepped off the pavement and was knocked down by a passing lorry. A crowd collected. An ambulance was summoned but by the time Henry reached hospital, he was dead—dead with an un-cashed cheque for twenty thousand pounds in his pocket.

What kind of a young man was Henry?

**Choose the missing words:**

Christ will come again from heaven at the last day to judge all \_\_\_\_\_

Christ will judge our thoughts, \_\_\_\_\_ works and \_\_\_\_\_

Christ will say to the wicked, " \_\_\_\_\_ from me, you are cursed into everlasting fire, which was prepared for the \_\_\_\_\_ and his angels".

Christ will say to the \_\_\_\_\_ "Come, you blessed of my \_\_\_\_\_ possess the kingdom prepared for you." \_\_\_\_\_

Everyone will be \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ , as well as at

the \_\_\_\_\_ day: "It is appointed unto

mankind \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; and after this, the \_\_\_\_\_

die            omissions    devil    last    judgment  
just           once            death    Father    mankind  
judged        words           Depart

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TWELFTH CHAPTER

**The Faithful Steward**

*Verses 32-44*

**READ** of the reward that Jesus promises to those who are serving Him faithfully when the day of reckoning comes.

**The Bad Steward**

*Verses 45-48*

**READ** of the punishment that may be expected by those who are not serving their Master as they should.

**READ** how those who know God's law but do not keep it will be much more severely punished than those who do wrong through ignorance.

**Jesus did not come to bring peace**

*Verses 49-59*

**READ** how Jesus says that His coming will divide families.

**READ** how Jesus points out that though the Pharisees can read the signs of the weather they have not the sense to see the signs of the coming of God's Kingdom.

## Be Prepared

"WHERE'S Ronald?" asked Mrs. Pitt.

"Oh, he's gone to his Italian class," replied Tom.

"I think it's a waste of time," Rose remarked.

"So do I. He's been going to that old night school for ages and there's not a hope of him ever going to Italy," said Tom.

"He's bought a map of Italy, too, and when I asked what use it was, he said he wanted to be prepared," put in Peter.

"I can't think of anything sillier than to make all these preparations for something that may never happen," Tom said scornfully.

"Can't you? I can," said his grandfather, speaking for the first time.

"Why, Granddad, what *could be* sillier?" Rose asked puzzled.

"*Not* to be prepared for something that we know for certain will happen," replied the old man.

1. What did the old man mean? What *is* the thing that will one day happen to each one of us?

2. How can we be prepared?

3. What did Jesus say about those who are unprepared for that day?

## Choose the right ending:

1. **On some day when he expects nothing, at an hour when he is all unaware —**

2. **Much will be asked of the man to whom —**

3. **I have come to bring —**

4. **Poor fools, you know well enough how to interpret the face of land and sky; but can you not —**

(a) ..... **much has been given.**

(b) ..... **his lord will come.**

(c) ..... **interpret the times you live in.**

(d) ..... **dissension.**

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THIRTEENTH CHAPTER

**Suffering not a Punishment for Sin**

*Verses 1-5*

**READ** how Jesus contradicts the idea that suffering is always a punishment for wrong-doing.

If we escape suffering it does not mean that we do not deserve punishment for our sins.

**The Fig Tree**

*Verses 6-9*

**READ** how Jesus cured a crippled woman and how He answered those who found fault with Him for healing on the Sabbath day

**For You to Answer**

1. What do we say of a clock that does not tell the time?

2. A hen that doesn't lay any eggs?

3. A fruit tree that has no fruit?

4. A person who does not try to please God?

5. How long had the crippled woman been disabled?

6. Where did the cure take place?

7. On what day?

8. What **words did** Jesus say to her?

9. How did she express her gratitude?

10. Who was indignant?

11. Why?

12. Did Jews tend their animals on the Sabbath?

13. What is more important, an animal or a human being?

14. What did Jesus call the people who found fault with Him for healing a poor woman on the Sabbath but made no bones about tending their beasts on that day?

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THIRTEENTH CHAPTER

**The Mustard Seed**

*Verses 18-21*

**READ** how Jesus compared the Kingdom of Heaven to a mustard seed. When Jesus was describing the Kingdom of Heaven He was describing the Catholic Church.

**The Closed Door**

*Verses 22-30*

**READ** how Jesus answered the man who asked how many would be saved. **READ** His warning that many who had led wicked lives would be shut out of Heaven.

**Jerusalem**

*Verses 31-35*

**READ** how the Pharisees tried to induce Jesus to leave Jerusalem. **READ** how Jesus grieved over this city.

**For You to Answer**

**Choose the right ending:**

**1. To what did Jesus liken his Church?**

(1) There are some who are last, and shall —

**2. Towards what city was Jesus travelling?**

(2) Jerusalem, Jerusalem, still murdering the prophets and —

**3. Who did the Pharisees say had a mind to kill Jesus?**

(3) How often have I been ready to gather —

**4. What did Jesus call him?**

(4) Blessed is He that comes in —

**5. Where must the prophets meet their death?**

**Endings:**

**6. How had the people of Jerusalem treated the prophets?**

(a) ..... stoning the messengers.

(b) ..... the name of the Lord.

**7. What had they done to the messengers?**

(c) .....your children together, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings and you refused it.

(d) ..... be first.

**8. What were they going to do to the Saviour?**