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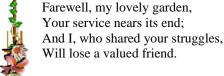
Get-Together Game

An amusing pencil and paper game is to write a short story using only words beginning with the same letter. Example: "Sarah Saunders saw some sifted sugar, so she snatched same surreptitiously. Soon someone searched seacoast seeking Sarah. She silently scuttled southward securing sanctuary. Soon she sat secluded, secretly self satisfied."



The whole woodworld is one full peal of praise!

~Alfred, Lord Tennyson



I cannot hold your fragrance That gives me such delight; Your evanescent beauty Will soon fade from my sight.

And yet, my lovely garden, Your spirit still will cling, A secret haunting vision, A harbinger of spring.

In winter's quiet moments, With all your beauty shorn, I'll see in you the promise Of Resurrection morn.

Here is a fun Thanksgiving word search game of different kinds of pies. See how many you can guess. Answers next issue!

- 1. Kipupmn
- 2. Cocatoun Drautsc
- 3. Paelp 14. Nemol Greneumi
- 4. Heacp 15. Nairsi
- 5. Bewyrartrs 16. Harubrb
- Krecehuvlbr 17. Triopac
- 7. Prybarers 18. Releubybr
- 8. Lmup 19. Perag
- 9. Ananab mecra 20. Yelkaberbr
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- 13. Trubet Tocsch 24. Ewest Ptoato

I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

~ Psalm 69:30

There is a beautiful spirit breathing now Its mellow richness on the clustered trees, And, from a beaker full of richest dyes, Pouring new glory on the autumn woods, And dripping in warm light the pillared clouds.



~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

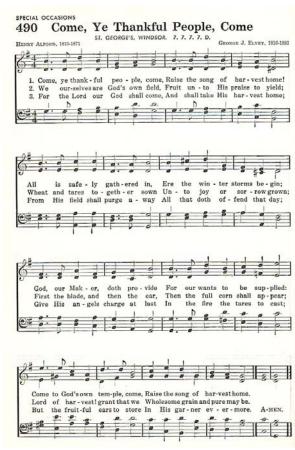
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

One of the finest of harvest hymns is that written by Dean Alford, "Come, ye thankful people, come."

When Alford was sixteen years old, he wrote these noble words upon

the fly-leaf of his Bible: "I do this day, in the presence of God and my own soul, renew my covenant with God, and solemnly determine henceforth to become His, and to do His work as far as in me lies."

This harvest hymn first appeared in 1844, with the title, "After Harvest." It was originally accompanied by the text, "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with



rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. (Psalm 126:6)

Alford attended Ilminster Grammar School and Trinity College, Cambridge, and was ordained in 1833. He was Curate at Winkfield, Wiltshire, and Ampton, and Vicar at Wymeswold, Leicestershire (where he served 18 years). In 1853, he went to Quebec Chapel, London; in 1857, he became dean of Canterbury Cathedral. He was also a scholar, producing volumes on Homer, English poetry, and the Greek New Testament.

A Christmas Card History



Did you ever wonder where the idea of sending Christmas cards came from? It started back in 1843 with a man named Sir Henry Cole. He has more friends than

he had time to write greetings to because back then you had to write what we would call a letter today. Mr. Cole wanted to send messages to all of his friends and family that would convey his greetings and best wishes for the holidays, and also to encourage them to think of other less fortunate than themselves on this special day.

Finally he decided to hire an artist to portray a scene that depicted his feelings of the season along with a brief message and have this printed and made into cards. On these cars, Mr. Cole merely had to write the name of the recipient and at the bottom sign his own.

Thus the first Christmas card was born. He had a thousand such cards printed. Those he didn't use himself he asked a shop to sell on his behalf at one shilling apiece. As Mr. Cole rightly guessed, other people found themselves in the same seasonal predicament: too many friends and too little time to write a note to each. Printed Christmas cards were a real success.

In the mid-1860s, a German immigrant named Louis Prang became an expert lithographer while he was in New York, so he moved to Boston and established a printing business of his own. He was especially talented in using colors in his printing and would reproduce oil paintings for some of his cards. At first he mainly sent these back to England, but in 1875, Prang introduced his cards into the United States. The highly colored and beautifully designed cards that he produced became immediately popular. By 1881 his presses were turning out almost five million Christmas cards and Prang was offering sizable cash prizes to artists who would design more.

The postal service even caught on to the tradition in 1962, adopting the tradition of an annual Christmas stamp. With a choice of secular and religious scenes, the latter often from Renaissance art, they have become immensely popular, selling in the billions every year.

Christmas isn't what it used to be and, in some ways, neither are the cards. We can, however, use the tool of Christmas cards to be a witness to our friends and family. Be creative, even make them, but be sure to keep Christ in Christmas.

Eve and the Church

For the past five issues we have taken examples from women whose lives are recorded in God's Word and compared them to see what we could learn that would help us in our own walk with the Lord. We will follow the same line of thinking in this issue, also, although one is a very well known lady and the other a figurative one. We are going to look more at their similarities than at their differences, however.

There are two that are called Adam in the word of God. The first Adam was the first man and the second Adam was Jesus Christ. God provided a bride for both of them. This is a great mystery, but it is God's plan and God's order – male and female; husband and wife. God gave the first Adam his bride so it would be easier for him to understand God's love for him. Then God gave the world the second Adam so man could even better understand God's love.

God made Eve to be the bride of his son, Adam. God did not form her from the same stuff that He had used to make Adam but took her from his side as "bone of his bone". She was unique and separate from all the rest of God's creation. She was set apart for a special purpose, which was to be a help and companion for Adam. Her happiness was complete in being for him what God had designed her to be. God said it was "not good" for the man to be alone and so God made someone for him that met all his needs and completed him as the image of God. Adam now had someone to love the way God loved him. Adam now understood more completely why God had created him and how much God really loved him.

Of course, sin entered into the world when Eve was deceived by the serpent and then gave to her husband with her, and "he did eat, also." God's perfect creation was wrecked and so was Adam's home and world. They were driven from the garden and had to live the rest of their lives with pain, suffering, and labor. Their children received this inheritance of a world blighted by sin.

But before God ever made Adam and Eve He had made a plan to redeem them. What the first Adam lost, the second Adam regained. The bride of the second Adam, Jesus Christ, is called "the church". She consists of all those who are truly born again. If you are truly saved you are part of the bride of Christ. You are to be to Him what

God made Eve to be for the first Adam. He loves you and wants you for himself.

If you are a young lady there will most likely be a young man someday that will want you for his bride, too. You can be a good wife for him if you are a good bride for Christ first. You will know how to be a good wife if you know the Lord and know what pleases him. Eve was made for Adam alone. Jesus wants the whole heart of his bride. He says that if we love the world we cannot love him. Your husband will want your whole heart, also. If you love and honor him, and keep yourself for him alone he will love you as Christ loves the church.

The devil had a plan to ruin the first bride and he has a plan to ruin you, also. Be aware of that! Eve should have stayed close by her husband's side where she belonged. She should not have allowed her mind and heart to be involved in anything without her husband's knowledge and blessing. God's design is for the husband to be the head of the wife. You are safe when you are where God intended for you to be. As long as you are in your parents' home, your Dad should be your "head". He is responsible for your soul and will guard you. Outside that realm you are in danger of being deceived and ruined. No matter how good your intentions, or how innocent the situation may seem, always make these your principle guidelines. Until you have a husband, if your Dad is not with you, you can practice these things with Christ as your head. As the bride of Christ, if your love for a perfect Groom is not enough to control your life and keep you from sin you are not ready to be the bride of an earthly man who will be in God's stead in your home.

A bride is a symbol of purity and loveliness. She is the dream-come-true of the groom she has prepared herself for. Imagine how Adam must have felt when he first saw his bride after she had been tainted by sin. The pain and sorrow that he felt are unimaginable to most people. And what makes it worst is to know that all through the rest of their lives here on earth Eve would know that it was she who had brought the pain and hurt to the very one that she loved most in all the world. You know, when we truly understand what Jesus did for us on the cross, that it was our sin that made it necessary for Him to die that day, if we really do love Him it will break our heart every time that we think of what He has done for us.

The point is, we need to love the Lord Jesus Christ with our whole heart, soul, mind and body. When we do, the things of this world will be disgusting to us because it will all be tainted with the very thing that made Him have to suffer and die – sin! You may be a bride someday and when you are, if you follow God's order for you (Titus 2), He will be able to bless your life abundantly! God's way works!



2.	Do you think it was wrong for God to put the trees in the garden if

3. Where does the Bride of Christ come from?

they were not suppose to touch them?

1. What was Eve's first mistake?

- 4. How should we learn to love our husband?
- 5. What kind of bride do you want to be?

^{*}Look for the answers in the next issue.

\mathcal{V}_{ows}



I am sure that most of you have been to at least one wedding in your lifetime. Have you listened carefully to the vows that are made? What is a vow, anyway? Mr. Webster explains it this way:

"A solemn promise, as the vows of unchangeable love and fidelity. In moral and religious sense, vows are promises to GOD, as they appeal to God to witness their sincerity, and the violation of them is a most heinous offence."

Wow! When you look at a vow that way, making a promise to God, it makes it seem more serious, doesn't it? And it should be. God takes vows very seriously. Here are some of the vows that I made at my wedding:

"I promise to love you as long as God gives me life. I will be loyal to you with my whole being, and I promise to be faithful to you always, and honest with you in everything. I will never leave you nor forsake you. I will never deceive you or lie to you, I will never hide anything in my heart from you, I will never hurt you with my words or deeds. I want to share with you your thoughts, your desires, your hopes, and your fears. I will strive to help fulfill all your goals and all your dreams. I will be with you when times are difficult. I will comfort you in time of sorrow, and I will encourage you in time of need. I will honor you, I will love you, I will cherish you, I will obey you, and forsaking all others I will cleave only unto you, 'til death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance."

Remember, promises are not made to be broken, no matter what this world tries to tell you. When you make a promise, how important is it to you to keep it? Be honest, is it fairly easy for you to steal occasionally, lie or cheat someone secretly? If you could say "yes" or even "maybe" to any of that, you are in danger. You can not be a Christian and have those kinds of things in your heart. (2 Cor. 13:5, 5:17, 2 Peter 1:5-11) I challenge all of you to look up "vow" and "vows" in a concordance and see what the Bible says about them.

CRAFTS

Here are some great inexpensive ideas for gifts this Christmas.

Magnetic Flowers

Gather artificial flowers, magnet backs and a glue gun to make a collection of pretty magnets. Just glue 2 leaves, then flowers to a magnet. Or stitch a 2"x2" lace-trimmed bag; fill with stuffing or potpourri and flowers, then glue it to a magnet.

Gardening Gloves

Decorate garden gloves with fabric paint. For these we used stencils and FolkArt acrylic paint that you can purchase in any craft store. Stencils vary and you can really make them personalized!



Bar Pins

Ladies love to wear pins for special occasions. Purchase pin-backs in your craft department, and different buttons, grosgrain ribbons and different trims. For the long ones, use ½ yard of ribbon, folding to make loops, and stitch them together at the center. For

the round ones, use 30" of ribbon, cutting it into 7 ½ " lengths. Overlap the ends of each strip and stitch them to make loops. Stack loops together to form a circle and sew together in the center. Sew a large button to the center front of each pin, then tack a tassel or a folded string of beads to the back. Then glue or sew it all onto your pin back and you have a lovely gift!

Indoor Planter

Going somewhere for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner? Plants make a lovely hostess gift. Just paint a small unfinished wooden planter white. Brush green acrylic paint on a rubber ivy-themed stamp and



print them on the outside. Draw connecting vines with a round brush. Coat planter with a water-resistant finish and fill with 3 potted plants.

Featured Reads







Laclyn Crossno

Jaclyn is the daughter of Jeff and Danita Ross of Piedmont, Missouri and she is our featured reader for this issue. She has a little sister, Charity, and a little brother, Justin. Jackie, which is what her friends call her, is 14 and likes to cook, draw, and decorate cakes. She loves to sing and go to church (New Hope General Baptist), and one of her favorite things to do is playing volleyball and just being with her friends. Jackie is a homeschooler and particularly likes Science and English, and her favorite colors are blue and orange.



Many have speculated as to what virtues Mary had that prompted God to choose her to be the mother of our Lord. I can tell you what she was like. She had eternity in her heart. She was self-possessed, thoughtful, and was always learning to make wise judgments. When a young woman learns to be sober, she will not live for immediate gratification. She will appreciate those things that will last for eternity.

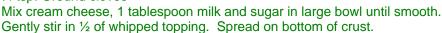
~Created to be His Help Meet, Debi Pear

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And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. Luke 1:38

The Cooking Counter

- 1 Graham Cracker Crust
- 4 oz. Cream cheese, softened
- 1 Tbsp. Milk
- 1 Tbsp. Sugar
- 8 oz. Chipped topping
- 1 cup cold milk
- 2 pkg. Vanilla instant pudding
- 1 (16oz.) can pumpkin
- 1 tsp. Ground cinnamon
- ½ tsp. Ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp. Ground cloves



Pour 1 cup milk into bowl. Add pudding mixes. Beat 1 minute. (Mixture will be thick.) Stir in pumpkin and spices until well mixed. Spread over cream cheese layer.

Refrigerate 4 hours or until set. Garnish with remaining topping.



Chicken Nachos

1 can Condensed Cheddar Cheese soup ½ cup salsa

2 cans (5 oz. Each) Chunk Chicken, drained

1 bag tortilla chips

Sliced green onions

Sliced pitted ripe olives

In saucepan mix soup, salsa and chicken. Over low heat, heat through, stirring occasionally.
Serve over chips. Top with onions and olives
Serves 6

JELLO HOLIDAY CRANBERRY MOLD

2 cups boiling water

1 large pkg. Or two small pkgs. Cranberry flovored gelatin (Or cherry, anything red)

1 ½ cups old ginger ale or water

2 cups halved green and/or red seedless grapes

1 can (11oz.) mandarin orange segments, drained

Stir boiling water into gelatin in large bowl 2 minutes or until completely dissolved. Stir in cold ginger ale. Refrigerate about 1 ½ hours or until thickened. Stir in fruit. Spoon into lightly sprayed 5-cup mold.

Refrigerate 4 hours, unmold and garnish with fruit.





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