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“HYMN OF A WEEK for A YEAR” Lessons –

Basic ideas of the lessons:

If you are looking at these lessons you have the internet – please if you know someone who does not have access to the internet and would like to do the lessons – please print off the lessons for them.

The first part of the lessons just gets you acquainted with the hymn and its author and an introduction to the memory verse.

Part two is the answering of the questions – You will need to have extra paper to go with your lessons to answer the questions and the pearling of words or ideas.

Part Three is the prepared chain or pearling of a word or idea, OR a portion of scripture to fit the word or theme of the hymn.

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Part four is your part to get into the “meat” of pearling or chaining a word or idea of your own choosing – there might be a suggestion but the ultimate is yours to do!! You will need a Bible, a Concordance but a Study Bible with the targeted words marked with footnoted letters to guide you to the next verse(s) would be the best along with a Concordance.

It is advised to keep a list of words and texts for future references, some words can be revisited and pearled again but you will want to use other scriptures.

Part five is the review of the hymn with discussion questions etc.

Close each session with prayer (of course you already knew that!!)

As always adapt these lessons to your needs – if some parts are too short and others too long work them together to fit your family/group time frame.

All hymns obtained from Internet site

cyberhymnal.com

Home page:

 http://www.hymntime.come/tch

**Week 37– Lesson 37 – Part 1:** Open with prayer; read hymn and memory work.

Memory Work: Job 19:25

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
And on the earth again shall stand;
I know eternal life He giveth,
That grace and power are in His hand.

*Refrain*

*I know, I know, that Jesus liveth,
And on the earth again shall stand;
I know, I know, that life He giveth,
That grace and power are in His hand.*

I know His promise never faileth,
The Word He speaks, it cannot die;
Though cruel death my flesh assaileth,
Yet I shall see Him by and by.

*Refrain*

I know my mansion He prepareth,
That where He is there I may be;
O wondrous thought, for me He careth,
And He at last will come for me.

*Refrain*

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**Week 37-Lesson 37 -Part 2:** Open with prayer review memory work.

Questions to Answer:

1. What is known?
2. Where will He stand?
3. What is known that He gives?
4. What are in His hand?
5. Refrain: Who lives?
6. What will He do on earth?
7. What are the repeated words?
8. Where are grace and power?
9. Verse 2: What never fails?
10. What cannot die?
11. What assails flesh?
12. What will still happen?
13. Verse 3: What is He preparing?
14. What will happen?
15. What is the wondrous thought?
16. What will do at last?

**Week 37-Lesson 37 -Part 3:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Scripture word study:

Redeem/Redeemer

1. Job 19:25 – What did Job declare?
2. Exodus 6:6 – Who did the Israelites need redeeming from?
3. Exodus 15:13 – What did the Miriam say about the redeemer of Israel?
4. Isaiah 41:14 – Who is the redeemer here?
5. Titus 2:13, 14 – Who is the redeemer?

What are we being redeemed from?

**Week 37-Lesson 37–Part 4:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Continue with redeem/redeemer subject or choose another word or theme from the hymn.

**Week 37 – Lesson 37 – Part 5:** Open with prayer; reread hymn and review memory work.

Review and Discussion:

1. How do you feel knowing your Redeemer lives?
2. How have you had a firsthand experience of God’s grace and power?
3. Considering the fact that we are all human and have different reactions to things of the past, future, fear of the unknown etc. – Write your reactions to the facts of these events:

Jesus went to prepare a place for you:

He will come back for you:

You will be where He is:

1. Most often death is hard to talk about but in light of the hymn – How does it make it more discussable?

**Week 38 – Lesson 38– Part 1:** Open with prayer; read hymn and memory work.

Memory Verse – Psalm 119:130

There ‘s Light For a Step

Though shadows may cover the face of the day,
Though steep be the path that you climb,
You never need stumble, you never need stray,
There’s light for a step at a time.

*Refrain*

*There’s light for each step of the way,
There’s light for a step at a time;
You never need stumble, you never need stray,
There’s light for a step at a time.*

Though mists on the edge of the marshlands lie low,
Though narrow the path that is sure;
Still light for a step will be yours if you go
With tread that is firm and secure.

*Refrain*

When into the valley the pathway shall lead,
Where darkly the Death-River rolls,
There still shall be light in your uttermost need,
To guide to the mansion of souls.

*Refrain*

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**Week 38– Lesson 38 – Part 2:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Questions to Answer:

1. What may cover the face of the day?
2. How is the path described?
3. What never needs to happen?
4. What is there?
5. Refrain: What does the light cover?
6. What is there light for?
7. Is there a need to stumble or stray?
8. What is the repeated line?
9. Verse 2: Describe the mists:
10. What is sure?
11. What is there still?
12. How must you go?
13. Verse 3: Where does the pathway lead?
14. What rolls there?
15. When will there still be light?
16. Where will it guide?

**Week 38– Lesson 38 – Part 3:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Scripture and word study:

Path

1. Isaiah 40:3 – What did the prophet Isaiah say John the Baptist would do?
2. Matthew 3:3 – What does this verse confirm?
3. Psalm 25:4 – What is asked here?
4. Luke 1:78, 79 – List all the things God’s tender mercy does:
5. Proverbs 4:18, 19 – Compare the path of the righteous against that of the wicked:

**Week 38 - Lesson 38 –Part 4:** Open with prayer; review memory work.

Continue on the idea of paths or change to another word or words or theme from the hymn.

**Week 38 - Lesson 38 –Part 5:** Open with prayer; review memory work; and reread the hymn.

Review and Discussion:

1. Do you feel you have light for each step in your journey?
2. How can you get more light?
3. How steep is your path?
4. Is your tread firm and secure?

If not what can you do to change that?

1. Do you just take a step at a time or do you try to walk double time?
2. Do you catch yourself stumbling or straying?

Explain:

1. Where do you see the path you are on now leading you?

**Week 39 – Lesson 39 – Part 1:** Open with prayer; read the hymn and memory work.

 Memory Work: Matthew 16:24

The Way of the Cross Leads Home

I must needs go home by the way of the cross,
There’s no other way but this;
I shall ne’er get sight of the gates of light,
If the way of the cross I miss.

*Refrain*

*The way of the cross leads home,
The way of the cross leads home,
It is sweet to know as I onward go,
The way of the cross leads home.*

I must needs go on in the blood sprinkled way,
The path that the Savior trod,
If I ever climb to the heights sublime,
Where the soul is at home with God.

*Refrain*

Then I bid farewell to the way of the world,
To walk in it never more;
For the Lord says, Come, and I seek my home,
Where He waits at the open door.

*Refrain*

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**Week 39 – Lesson 39 – Part 2:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Questions to Answer:

1. What is the way home?
2. Is there any other way?
3. What will not be seen?
4. If what is missed?
5. Refrain: What does the way of the cross do?
6. What is sweet to know?
7. Verse 2: What way that is needed to go?
8. Who has trod that path?
9. Where is the climb?
10. Where is the soul at home?
11. Verse 3: What has been bid farewell?
12. Is it to be walked in again?
13. What does the Lord say?
14. Where does He wait?

**Week 39 – Lesson 39 – Part 3**: Open with prayer; review the memory work;

Scripture and Word Study:

The way of the cross is also the **SHEDDING** of blood –

Why is blood needed?

1. Hebrews 9:22 – What is needed for forgiveness?

In the old covenant it was the sacrifices that shed the blood, the sacrifices were made over and over again but

1. 1 Peter 3:18 – What happened once?

Each time we take Communion or the Lord’s Supper we remember the fact that Jesus died for our sins –

1. 1 Corinthians 11:24 – 25 – What was broken for our sins?

What is the cup?

The shedding of blood is important but also is the fact of Jesus being raised from the dead – we must believe this:

1. Romans 10:9 – What is believed in your heart?

**Week 39 – Lesson 39 – Part 4:** Open with prayer; review memory work –

Continue with the shedding of blood, the raising from the dead of Jesus theme or choose another theme or word (s) from the hymn.

**Week 39 – Lesson 39 – Part 5:** Open with prayer; review memory work; reread the hymn:

Review and Discussion:

1. In your own words describe the way of the cross:
2. What is the path the Savior trod?
3. Do we need to do physically what the Lord did to follow in His path?
4. Read Luke 9:23 – What does this verse mean?

Do you feel from a human standpoint is it possible to do Luke 9:23?

How about with God’s help?

1. What does it mean to give up the way of the world to you?

Are there some ways of the world that you need to work on giving up?

**Week 40– Lesson 40 - Part 1:** Open with Prayer; read the hymn and memory work.

Memory Work: Act 20:24

He Set the Task for Me

Though the work of life be lowly,
Let me true and faithful be;
This the thought that makes it holy—
Christ has set the task for me.

*Refrain*

*He has set the task for me!
He has set the task for me!
This the thought that makes it holy—
Christ has set the task for me!*

Hush, O heart, thy wild ambition!
Toil, O hands, in service free!
Blest indeed is my condition—
Christ has set the task for me.

*Refrain*

Christ, I know, will not forget me
When at length the evening falls;
From the place where He has set me
I will answer when He calls.

*Refrain*

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**Week 40– Lesson 40 – Part 2:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Questions to Answer:

1. What on earth can be lowly?
2. What do we want to be?
3. What makes the work holy?
4. Who has set the task?
5. Refrain – What is the repeated statement?
6. What does the thought do?
7. Verse 2: What should be hushed in our hearts?
8. What should our hands do?
9. What is the condition?
10. What has Christ set?
11. Verse 3: What will Christ not do?
12. What is the place?
13. What do we say we will do?

**Week 40 – Lesson 40 – Part 3:** Open with prayer; Review memory work

Scripture and Word Study:

Task –

1. 1 Corinthians 3:4-9:

What would mere men say?

Who are Paul and Apollos?

What did the Lord do?

Verse 6: What were the tasks of Paul, Apollos and God?

What then happens?

List “the man” statements:

Those men each have a purpose and what will happen for each?

List all that we are:

**Week 40 – Lesson 40 – Part 4:** Open with prayer; review memory work;

Continue in the idea of task – there are more verses that work around the word task or tasks or change to another theme or word (s) from the hymn.

**Week 40 – Lesson 40 – Part 5:** Open with prayer; Review memory work and reread the hymn.

Review and Discussion:

1. What do you feel your task is in the body of Christ?
2. Have you ever felt not up to the task?
3. How do you see yourself in the scripture word study passage? (A planter or one who waters)
4. Have you ever been discouraged about the planting and watering - that there was no visible fruit from the task?
5. What is the line from the hymn that reminds us of who gives the task?
6. What is the statement in the scripture lesson that reminds us who makes things grow?
7. What do we have to remember as we go about our tasks?