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Children—Mark Breman

Good morning. Time to have Sunday school this morning. Glad to see all the children up here on the front rows. And if anybody else would like to, there's still some more seats up here that the children can use. Do each one of you have a hem sheet like this? OK. I think we're going to sing off the back of the hymn sheet this morning. The first number you will see there is 40 to know that you're on the back, but you can choose hymns off of the back of that. OK, So who would like to have the first one OK. #44. #44. Into a tent where a gypsy boy lay dying alone at the close of the day. News of salvation recurring. Nobody, ever. To a little kid. To a little kid. Salvation. Sorry. Nobody ever has told me before. Salvation. Story. Nobody. Ever. Salvation Story. Till I can say children, man, nobody. Never asked for me before. Well, thank you. That was a very nice one to start with this morning. Tell it again, tell it again. I wonder if there's any boy or girl on the front row here that can tell me what that's talking about. Tell it again. Tell what again? The story of Jesus. The story of Jesus. That's a wonderful story to tell. Again, how many of you have never heard it before? How many of you like to hear it again? Isn't that wonderful? It's a story that will never, never wear out. It's a story that everyone needs to hear. And it says here telling of the story a little bit, God sent his son. Whosoever said he then I am sure that he sent him for me. Now you know that not everyone knows and are is sure that God sent his son for them. And so we need to tell it again.

And like we heard last night, if you were at the gospel meeting last night, that there are people right here in this country who have never heard it and never known it. Tell you a little quick story. One of my daughters is a photographer and she actually works for a company in Chicago here, but does her work in Iowa. And she goes around to all the schools in Iowa and takes pictures for all the students at the schools. And there was a lady, I believe she was 67 years old, I think it was last week. Lydia had to go pick her up and take her to the school and on the way there, but he was visiting with her. And she says what? What do you mean by Lord Jesus? And she said, why did God have to die? 67 years old. In a neighboring town from where we live in Iowa. Didn't didn't know some of the things that you boys and girls already know. That solemn. And we'll talk about, Lord willing this morning, about other people who don't know the Lord Jesus. But this morning we're very interested that each one of you boys and girls come to know the Lord Jesus. That is so important. So who has another song that we can sing about the Lord Jesus this morning? Jesus loves me. That's number 40. Jesus loves me, the signal for the Bible tells me so. Little ones, do you? Hear from. Yes, she's so slow, Sir. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, he's a slow. The Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me. And escape to open life. He will watch away my sin. Let us all fire on me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves you. The Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me though. I love. And he wasted. Love ways to hold me in Hillsong. He's been saved from every arm. Yes, he's so slow as me. Yes. I. See, the Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me, loves me still. From enjoying. Yes. It's a slightly. Yeah, Jesus loves me.

Oh my, God tells me so. Jesus loves me. Will stay close beside me all the way. Here I trust him. Should I join, he will heal. He will take me. All my. Yes, Jesus. Loves you. Yeah. I will tell me so. Well that was nice. I get to hear you boys and girls very well seeing that. And it's nice to know that the Lord Jesus hears each one singing to and knows if from your heart you really mean that. Yes, Jesus loves me. Why don't we close our eyes and bow our heads and let's ask God for His help this morning. Our blessed God and loving Father, we come to Thee at the beginning of this little Sunday school time to seek Thy help and Thy blessing and Thy guidance and Thy direction. We thank Thee for each one of these boys and girls here this morning and anyone who is in this room who is listening now. And we just pray that Thou would by Thy Spirit take Thy word and direct it to heart and conscience, to wherever the need is. Lord Jesus, for. For blessing and for thy honor and glory. And so we ask for thy help this morning, as we would have thy word open before us. It is thy word. And we take it as such, and we bow to it, and we just give thee thanks for it, and pray that if there's anyone in this room who has not yet received the Lord Jesus as their Savior, that this morning they might come to know the Lord Jesus whom to know is life eternal. We give thee thanks and praise in Jesus name, Amen. OK, let's sing one more song before we start talking. We had a boy and a girl and there's a boy down here. #47. When he called. Like the stars of the morning is. Joining. Right chance for his crown. He will gather. He will gather thousands for his Kingdom. All the same ones, all the bright ones. Is all like the size of. The boring. Is brightly crowned. What is wrong? Little children, little children. Who are? The jewels. Look, the stars of Love is fighting for.

We sang about little gypsy boy who didn't know of the love of the Lord Jesus. Then we sing about Jesus loves me. That little boy, he came to know that Jesus loved him. And it is our desire that every boy and girl this here this morning doesn't only know that the Lord Jesus loves them, but they will know that they are a Sinner and that they need him as their Savior. Then they can enjoy what we just think about now when he cometh, the Lord Jesus is going to come and take all those who love Him home to be with Him. And this is Speaking of Jim's shining in his crown. Did you know? Did you know that we who love the Lord Jesus someday are going to come back with Him? Is appearing. Isn't that wonderful? And maybe in our talk this morning a little bit, we'll discuss why it's so important to live for the Lord Jesus, even in view of that day and have that day before us as an inspiration to live for him and and please him. OK. We had a Sunday school paper in Pella, and I wonder if it's the same verse that some of you kids might have learned. It says I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions, and as a cloud thy sins. Return unto me, for I have redeemed thee. Isaiah 44:22. Does that sound familiar? That's when you learn. OK, who would like to say it? OK. I have blotted out as a thick cloud that in aggressions, and as a cloud thy sins returned to me for every D&D Isaiah 44:22. Thank you anybody else. OK, here's a girl. I brought it out as a thick cloud that can't scratch it and as a cloud license. You turn on to me 5 Originally I say 44:22. Very nice. That's very nice. Somebody else wants to say it. I bought it out as a thick cloud dye transgressions and it's a cloud dye sense. Return unto me 5 Redeem thee, Isaiah 44:22. Thank you. Do we have anybody else? OK. Some brothers and sisters here. Plot it out. I plot it out. It's a cloud. Transgressions. Is a cloud. I sense. Return it to me. I. Isaiah. 34:22, very good. Thank you very much. Anybody else

okay? I'm watered out of the thick cloud light transgressions, and as a cloud lies in return to me, for I have redeemed thee. Isaiah 44:22. Thank you very much. Anybody else? OK. Well, let's turn to that Isaiah 44. Isaiah 44 and. What what is happening in this chapter is kind of sad. Maybe we'll talk about what's happening in this chapter a little bit. Let's pretend. Let's pretend that there's a big tree right here, OK? And oh, that's a nice tree. OK, I know we can't see the tree. We're going to pretend a little bit. We can see this tree here, OK, And might look a little different than it does from me to you, but it's a big tree there. And I'm hungry and, well, I'd like to cook my food.

And oh, a nice tree. Well OK, I'll go get my axe. OK, so I go get my axe and come back over here and start chopping on this tree and chop, chop, chop. How long does it take to chop tree down? Who knows? Who knows how long it takes to drop a tree down? An hour and 30 minutes, an hour and 30 minutes and well, that's a long time. Well, we at our house, we cut down a lot of trees every year to heat our home. And my boys, sometimes they like to go out and cut trees down with an axe for the fun of it. And their grandpa got them a cross cut saw and it takes a long time to cut a tree down. Thank Abraham Lincoln said if he had six hours to cut down a tree and spend the first five hours sharpening his axe. So the tree falls down, we go over and we cut some limbs off of there and then we come over here and we take the take these pieces and cut them all up. And we go ahead and we stack them all up here and we build ourselves a little fire. OK, And we light a fire and oh, that's nice and warm. OK, so maybe we go over and then we get our our bread and our meat or whatever. And we have this little great thing that we put it on. We. Send it over the fire. And we just sit down and we just enjoy the fire and watch it cook. And everyone, I'm getting kind of hungry. How about you? Yeah, me too. OK, well, boy, that smells good, doesn't it? So let's see. Boy, that's good. We eat our food. Look at there. There was a tree. Let's see. I'm not hungry anymore. I got warm. I'll cut Oh. Well, there's still some tree left. You know, that tree did nice things for me. Now I'm not hungry anymore and, and I'm and I've been warmed and fed and, and all. What do I do with that? I take my axe and and I'll just, I'll carve me a thing out of this tree that looks like a person. And then I'll stand it up and the rest of the tree there because boy, it sure benefited me because I got my tummy full and got warm and everything. So I carved this thing out. Looks like a person. Thank you for. That even sound right. I say thank you to this thing that I carved out of a tree for. For satisfying my hunger and warming. Does that even sound right? No, no, it doesn't even sound right. You know, there's people that do that every day today. There's people probably in this community around here that that do it every day. In the same way, I got a little something to show you. I. Maybe Brother Bill Pros knows what this is, but maybe the rest of you don't. He's probably seen plenty of them. What is this? A little table. It's a little table. That's right. What a nice little table. Somebody made this by hand. Yeah, they made that by hand. Isn't that interesting? And they spent a lot of time put that Peacock on that little table. But, you know, this little table has a special name. It's called a tarunga. OK, It's called a tarunga. And you know what this is used for? You know what that means? Tarunga, it means the seat of the God. The seat of the God. And there's a man, it's a Hindu man, and I've worked with him a while. He came over to India to do some work and he's still here, and I spoke with him much about the Lord. He thought I would like a tarunga to put my Bible on the seat of the God. I told him that my God is too big to fit on his tarunga, and I wish he could come to know my God. Very interesting talking to him about God's and things like that.

There was we were standing out in front of where I work and a man took off on his motorcycle, went through the gears real fast. Front end kind of came up a little bit as he was going and down the street he went. You know what he said? You look at that man going along on that motorcycle, he says, see that motorcycle? That's his God. Isn't that amazing? That's his God. Yeah. Well, let's talk about this verse a little bit. Thinking about that. I'm going to, I'm going to put this down here kind of. Or we might have. Well, I think we set our man up over here, didn't we? There, OK. Speaks in verse 20 about a deceived heart. These children here, they said no, that that wouldn't be a good idea to do a deceived heart. You know, the enemy is so clever and deceiving. You know. I I would like to attempt to deceive somebody this morning to show you what deceived means. Okay. Is there anybody who doesn't yet know how to read? I want somebody who, who cannot read, who cannot read. Can you read? Do you know how to read? Come here a minute. Come here a minute. I want you to help me. If we look up on the wall up here, can. Can you see a football? Yeah. Can you see there's a volleyball up there? Yeah. Can you see there's a basketball? Do you see that there's like a shoe with wings on it? Yeah. Now look over at the next picture. See there's two handicapped people there and their friends, and they're trying to help one another. Is that right? And do you see the next picture over there? Two people haven't seen each other for a long time and they love each other. That's sad, isn't it? Those people really aren't friends, are they? They're not handicapped. They're very well fit, and you know what they want to do? They want to outdo each other. They're not friends. They want to outdo each other. You think those other people there are really happy with each other? I want to give each other a hug. I saw some of that going on on the grass out here yesterday. Now those two people are not on the same side as one another either. One of those pictures. The enemy likes to deceive us, doesn't he? And he'll take just a little bit of what we don't know, maybe we don't know how to read or whatever it might be, and deceive us with things that might look like something that they might think, Oh yeah, and deception is a sad thing, isn't it? Well, these people that did this with this tree, they were deceived, weren't they? It's a sad thing. It's a sad thing. And you know, last night in the gospel meeting, the brother who gave the gospel told us of a verse in the Word of God that says that the God of this world is blinded. The minds of those that believe not, they're deceived. Now let's talk about how to get that, get that blinder, blinder away. Let's go to Luke 18. Luke 18. In the last part of verse 13 says God be merciful to me, a Sinner. The real thought is God have compassion on me the Sinner, as if I was the only one who offended God. Boys and girls, we need to come to that point where we say God have compassion on me, the Sinner. I can't look at my neighbor, the one sitting next to me and say.

Well, they've done wrong too. No, it has to be between me and the Lord. There's a thick cloud that clouds between US and God. If we don't know the Lord Jesus as our Savior and it is our sins, let's go back. I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions. Now this verse is telling us that this is something that the Lord has already done. So let's talk to those boys and girls who know the Lord Jesus as our Savior, because I am sure that there are many of you boys and girls here this morning who do know the Lord Jesus as your Savior already. This is some that we spoke of in the conference meetings already yesterday, isn't it? This is along the same line. I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgression, and as a cloud thy sins Return unto me, for I have redeemed thee I. Now we know that if there was an image made here of a man, if we would turn, we won't take time to do it to Psalms 115. It would tell us that they have a mouth, but they can't speak. They have eyes, but they can't see. They have ears, but they can't hear. And they have feet, but they can't walk and those kind of things. And we know that, don't we? But what are we putting on the seed of the God that is making a cloud and hindering? What is it Speaking of here in in this verse? Here the Lord is saying, Return unto me, I have redeemed thee. Now, we could put all kinds of things on that little table right there. And you know, oftentimes you hear of illustrations for boys and girls that we could make anything an idol. And and you know, a boy, he could make a bicycle is idle and a girl could make a doll her idol. But have you been to Walmart lately? Do they only have bicycles and dolls at Walmart for kids? No, you mean they don't have bikes on one side and dolls on there have been in the toy aisle lately? What's in there? Who can tell me what's in there? Legos. Pool stuff. Pool stuff. Barbies. Beyblades, which Beyblades are like, OK, a new thing to me, OK. Nerf guns. I would like that. Yeah. Nerf guns. Whole There's a whole bunch of things in there, isn't there? And you know. We could say anything just like

this man that I know that's a Hindu, saw the man riding off on his motorcycle and he said that's his God. Sad, isn't it? Anything that displaces the Lord Jesus in his rightful place in our heart. It's not just toy things, is it? It's whatever takes the place of the Lord Jesus. It can be our job, our school. Our diet. We can use anything to step in the way to displace the place that the Lord Jesus rightfully has in our heart. And, and this one's not good, I don't want to break my Tarunga. So I'm going to prop it up so I don't hurt it here. But how about that? What if we put ourselves up on our Tarunga? Then what? That's not good, is it? It'll be like. They'll fall into lots of pieces. That's right. That's right. The end is ruined. Anything that comes into the place of the Lord Jesus Christ will end in ruin. We could put anything we want. On there and whatever it is will destroy our joy in the Lord Jesus. The Lord Jesus is saying, return unto me, for I have redeemed thee.

Here's another one. It's a rock. This rock means something to me. Probably not the same thing it means to you. I'm sure not. It's a rock, and I got this rock a couple years ago from somebody. Somebody special? What does it say on there? Who can read? What does it say? I love you, Daddy, on my rock. See that? And I keep that rock on my desk at work, and it's been there a long time. Now I'm going to illustrate something that we might do to the Lord sometimes that might make a cloud come in between. Oh boy, that's a nice rock. I love you, daddy. That's a nice rock. I like that rock. Yeah. I like that rock. Plus, you're a nice rock. What should I really do? Come here, Lance. Thank you for that. Thank you for that, rock. I love you too, bud. Yeah. He's the one that gave me the rock. The Lord Jesus gave us all kinds of wonderful things in this life. Many mercies he's. Why is it that things and items and maybe people and different things get in the way of the Lord Jesus? We forget that He redeemed us. We let other things come in. Like to read a verse in first Peter? First Peter chapter one. For as much as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things. You were not redeemed with corruptible things. Stuff. I don't know how many people in this room have a cell phone. Go ahead and raise your hand if you have a cell phone if you own one. Yeah, how many of you need need your cell phone for things other than just talking on it? How many of you would be? Upset if you lost your cell phone? It's a value thing, isn't it? Several years ago, I was at work and there was a man who liked race cars and he was all excited because there was this man who had won a race and he was emotionally excited. And I remember right, he said this man's name was Mark Martin. I don't not sure. I think he was what they call a NASCAR driver and he had won a race or something. And he was so excited. I don't know why the I felt like the Lord wanted me to do this. I don't know why, but.

I came up to him and his name was Jerry, Jerry Newman. And I just, I was walking by him when he was very excited and I said, Jerry, did Mark Martin die for you? And I turned around and I kept walking. You know what wasn't very long later? Somebody said Jerry Newman is going to church. Jerry Newman is changed his behavior. We're not redeemed with corruptible things. Things that are tangible. Verse down says what we are redeemed with. The precious blood of Christ Now sunny school is not over, but let's bow our heads for one moment and thank the Lord Jesus for his precious blood. Our blessed God and loving Father, we pause for a moment to thank Thee for the precious blood of the Lord Jesus. We thank Thee, Lord Jesus, for going to that cross and shedding Thy precious blood to bear our sins away in thine own body on the tree. We pray for each boy and girl here this morning. That they would come to know the value of that precious blood. That they might be saved. In Jesus name we pray, Amen. And you know. There's something else about the blood of the Lord Jesus. Spoken to us who know the Lord Jesus as our Savior. Is redeeming Blood and grace Titus chapter 2. Titus, chapter 2. Yeah, in verse 14 says who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, speaking to those who knew the Lord Jesus as their Savior, much like we had in our meeting yesterday. The grace of God In verse 11 it speaks of a wonderful thing, the grace of God. That bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, and it does something for us. It teaches us something if we appreciate that grace. It teaches us that denying those things that we talked about in the meeting yesterday, ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly. Righteously and godly in this present world, looking for the blessed hope that is every one of us who know the Lord Jesus as our Savior. When the Lord Jesus comes, we'll go home to be with him. But that's not all. It doesn't stop there. It says. And the glorious appearing. And that's what we're doing. Your Sunday school song. About the gyms shining with the Lord Jesus. You want to be there with him that in that coming day. The glorious appearing of the great God, our Savior Jesus Christ. And let's don't forget who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all inequity, boys and girls, if someday we're going to live and reign with the Lord Jesus. Shouldn't that inspire us to lay aside those things that we would want to set on at the Taruna of our heart? And put those things aside in a way to live only for the glory of God and the honor of the Lord Jesus Christ. Who knows what the last verse is? Maybe you don't know of the book of first John. I'll tell you. It says little children.

Keep yourselves from idols. That's not just kids, is it? But. Remember boys and girls, if you learn while you're young to seek the Lord and give Him the first place in your life and in your heart and walk in His joy and His fellowship, He can use you for His honor and glory in your life. The Lord Jesus would say to each one of you boys and girls like we had in our verse, for I know that even boys and girls can get cold in their hearts. To the Lord, return unto me, for I have redeemed me.

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