

A little boy, for a trick, pointed with his finger to the wrong road, when a man asked him which way the doctor went. As a result, the man missed the doctor, and his little boy died, because the doctor came too late to take a fish-bone from his throat. At the funeral, the minister said that "boy was killed by a lie, which another boy told with his finger." I suppose the boy did not know the mischief he did. Of course, nobody thinks he meant to kill a little boy when he pointed the wrong way. He only wanted to have a little fun, but it was fun that cost somebody a great deal; and if he ever heard of the results of it, he must have felt guilty of a mean and wicked thing. We ought never to trifle with the truth.

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It is a delusion to think that our parents are less in sympathy with us than our companions.

It is a delusion to consider our inclinations and desires as entitled to any more indulgence at the age of sixteen than our parents allowed them to have over us at the age of ten.

It is a delusion to believe that it is manly or womanly to indulge in any practice that is deplored by those who have become its slaves; and so we should see to it that we are not allowing our curiosity or desire to appear manly or womanly to make us become slaves to expensive or filthy habits that cripple us in the race of life.

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Well would it be if all Christians lived as they know they ought to live. But seeing that so many of them do not, I think it important to point out to young people that we must not depend too much upon human example. The only all-perfect man who ever trod this earth was Christ. Let us keep *Him* ever before our eyes as our only infallible Pattern.

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## SOLUTIONS OF BIBLE QUESTIONS FOR JANUARY.


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- LII. 1 Sam. XII. 12.  
 LIV. Luke XVIII. 13.  
 LV. Joshua VI. 25.
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## BIBLE QUESTIONS FOR FEBRUARY.

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- LVI. What three persons when in distress of mind asked God to take away their lives?  
 LVII. Who was the first kingly person to whom God gave a name before birth? and what was the meaning of the name?  
 LVIII. What is the earliest teaching of a future judgment?
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