

**Some of God's Ways and of Men's**

In the very first verse in the Bible we find the name of God, and the first chapter tells us how God prepared the earth for man, and then made man to dwell in the earth. This earth is God's earth, and the men who live on it are made in God's image. Alas! man, made in God's image, sinned; but God did not cast him off or give him up, and the Bible is just the story of God's patience with sinning men, and how He seeks to win them back to Himself and to make them holy again. It ends with a beautiful picture of a new heaven and a new earth where there is no sin.

The Lessons of this Quarter take us back to the beginning and to man's earliest days on earth. We are to study God's ways with men—and they are just as wise and loving now as they were in that far-off time, when the earth was new; and men's ways, which are also often so mistaken and foolish.

1. God the Maker of all things. Gen. 1 : 1 to ch. 2 : 3.

2. Man sinning and punished. Gen. 3 : 1-15.

3. God destroying and saving. Gen. 8 : 1-22.

4. The Lord calling and a man trusting. Gen. 12 : 1-9.

5. A generous and a greedy man. Gen. 13 : 1-18.

6. The Lord cheering with His promises. Gen. 15 : 1-18.

7. A man pleading with God. Gen. 18 : 16-33.

8. God testing His servant's faith. Gen. 22 : 1-14.

9. A man who was a peacemaker. Gen. 26 : 12-25.

10. God visiting a lonely man. Gen. 28 : 10-22.

11. God wrestling and blessing. Gen. 32 : 1-32.

12. Men ruined by their folly. Prov. 23 : 29-35.

13. The God of mercy everlasting. REVIEW.

**Seven Days**

Seven days within the week,  
Seven days to do and speak  
All the deeds and words of love  
For our Father up above.

Sunday is the day of rest,  
And of all the week the best ;  
'Tis the day, with one accord,  
When we praise and serve our Lord.

Monday starts the working days,  
Finds us full of busy ways ;  
Lessons or our work begun,  
Till another week is done.

Tuesday comes, and on we press  
With the work that God will bless ;  
Wednesday finds us with a will  
Working for our Father still.

Thursday—half the week is done,  
Four good working days are gone.  
Friday, though we weary be,  
Father, still our best for Thee.

Welcome next to Saturday,  
Little work and lots of play ;  
Work or play, oh ! let it be  
Done, dear Lord, as unto Thee !

Seven days to try to do  
What is good and what is true ;  
Seven days to do our best,  
Leaving unto God the rest !

**Teaching the Child to be Thrifty**

A savings bank account is a great incentive to thrift in children. If one is begun for the baby, even with a very small sum, and added to through childhood and youth with a certain proportion of the money that otherwise would be spent carelessly and thoughtlessly by the child, there will be a very respectable amount on the credit side of the ledger when the depositor is eighteen years old. The habit of self-denial is not the least of the substantial benefits that follow a wise economy of money.—April Ladies' Home Journal.