

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MAY 6

JESUS THE SERVANT OF ALL.

LESSON TEXT—John 13:1-15. GOLDEN TEXT—And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.—Matt. 10:44.

This lesson is really a continuation of the latter part of the lesson of last week, for the glory of Jesus is his unselfishness whereby he wrought out redemption for mankind.

Selfishness Amid Holy Surroundings (vv. 1-11). The world does not appreciate Jesus. It never has. "His own," the Jews, did not appreciate him. We are considering him today as he was about to depart from the world that had despised and rejected him to one that appreciated him (Heb. 2:10). The development, Verse 2 tells of the Satanic suggestion that came to the heart of Judas. In it was personal desire, and connected with it, human conspiracy. The coming to the upper room has been pointed out by a man bearing a pitcher (Mk. 14:13-14), the pitcher being suggestive of the Holy Spirit which was about to come in the place of the visible Christ, and it is in the midst of such sacred surroundings as this that Satan enters the hearts of students. This is a suggestion as to the power of environment. Environment is an aid, but it does not produce effective safety. No moment is too holy for Satanic suggestion. Jesus knew that the hour was come when he was to depart out of the world. "Having loved his own, he loved them to the end." Even though the Father had given all things into his hands, still it was necessary for him to teach the disciples once more, and finally, the lesson of humility. He loved and remembered the strife among the disciples (Luke 22:24-28). Doctor Bernard's famous dream, analyzed and being made up of ambition, pride and elements other than the love of God is worthy of consideration in this connection. We need to realize the danger of selfishness even in our service for God. Have we examined our motives? If the consciousness of our superiority, either of rank or ability, tempts us to shrink the best of services, it is time for God's children to recall this scene, and remember that "the servant is not greater than his Lord." Peter's strong protest (v. 8) brings out the fact that the washing by Christ of the disciples' feet was deeper than merely the outward application of water (See Rom. 8:9).

In service, the Evidence of Divine Humility (vv. 12-15). (1) This service was rendered, Jesus had all things (v. 12) for he became the servant of all. (2) It was for all. All needed a wash-foot. All the disciples needed to learn, and all servants must learn, to obey. (3) It signified sanctification. We are saved once for all, but we are continually being sanctified by our contact with sin in the world; hence the need of renewed cleansing. New light reveals new need of cleansing. (4) It was a foreshadowing of the thoughts of the disciples. He became their servant, and in years to come they might have the meaning of service. He became a noble example, and in years to come they remembered his knowledge and service. (5) It was for "his own." The disciples did not know what he had done to them. Little do we understand often times what it is that the Lord has done to us. Jesus set an example whereby he would save the det of crime, self-seeking and every manifestation of selfishness from their sin-stained souls. We may call Jesus Lord and Master, and it is true that we do so, for Master and Lord he is indeed, but if we call him Lord we must do nothing than make him our lives what we call him with our lips. The idea here emphasized has been raised to much religious literature. "The Imitation of Christ" by Thomas à Kempis, is the most popular book in the world next to the Bible.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you" (v. 15). This introduction shows how important Christ considered his teaching at this point. "The servant is not greater than his Lord" (See Matt. 10:24; Luke 6:40; 22:27). If the Lord does this lowly service, certainly the servants, should not think it beneath them to do likewise, nor should the one that is sent (an apostle) consider himself greater than he that sent him. John, who wrote this epistle, was one of the apostles guilty of an unholy strife for power and position, and desirous of bringing fire down upon those who did not acknowledge and follow Jesus, but he became a marvel of love and tenderness. "Knowing and doing are the twin pillars of the Christian faith upon which the house of happiness is built. Such service is not egotistical. It is this that has proved the superiority of Christianity over all the religions of the world. If we seek to do service for others, then we have the right to call Jesus Master and Lord, but if we seek honor rather than to be humbly useful, we shall have no right to call him thus. This instance made a deep impression upon Peter, as can be seen from the striking illusion in his first epistle (1 Pet. 5:5 R. V.).

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BLOUSE OF PRINTED CHIFFON

Printed chiffon, combined with plain dark colors makes very practical and dainty waists. Because they are serviceable they may be substituted for the plain tailored waist that is depended on for everyday wear. In the picture a blouse is shown made of navy blue and white striped chiffon with a narrow fancy stripe in paisley colorings between the broader stripes. A panel in navy blue is let in at the back and front and the collar and cuffs are of the same material. Machine stitching in white and blue and buttons finish this charming model.

Gasoline, which is more deadly than dynamite, we handle as if it was so much water. We leave matches around for children to play with. We hang our lace curtains close to the gas jet and leave the window open when we go to bed so that the wind can blow the lace curtain into the flames.

MOST FIRES DURING MARCH AND APRIL

CONFLAGRATIONS GENERAL OCCUR BETWEEN FEBRUARY 25 AND MAY 3.

LETTER OF WARNING ISSUED

Some Interesting Statistics Concerning Spring Fires Which Should Interest Citizens of North Carolina.

A letter issued by the Georgia Fire Prevention Society and circulated throughout the State of Georgia is worth attention in North Carolina or any other State. It points out that during the past twenty-five years, \$77,749,513 of the losses in the South have occurred between February 25 and May 3.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Amount. April, 1892, New Orleans, \$1,500,000; May, 1901, Jacksonville, 10,000,000; February, 1904, Baltimore, 40,000,000; May, 1904, Yazoo City, Miss., 2,000,000; February, 1905, Hot Springs, 1,500,000; February, 1905, New Orleans, 5,000,000; May, 1907, Atlanta, 500,000; February, 1906, New Orleans, 5,000,000; March, 1908, Tampa, 500,000; February, 1912, Houston, 4,500,000; April, 1912, Columbus, Ga., 250,000; May, 1914, St. Augustine, 250,000; March, 1916, Augusta, Ga., 5,999,513; March, 1916, Nashville, 1,500,000; March, 1916, Paris, Texas, 5,000,000.

The above figures represent the amount paid by insurance companies, and are naturally much less than the property losses. The great conflagration of San Francisco, which resulted in a property loss of about \$350,000,000, occurred in April, 1906.

It is on account of the danger of spring fires that the Georgia Fire Prevention Society is issuing its warning to the people of Georgia. The society is also conducting a vigorous campaign along other lines to aid in the prevention of fires. School children are being interested in the crusade, and recently 400 fire inspection blanks were filled out by the pupils of Fitzgerald schools, showing the condition of dwellings in that place. The society is also calling attention to the dangerous hazard of storing collected waste paper in school houses, basements, etc.

In North Carolina during six days from March 27 to April 1, inclusive, newspaper reports indicate rather a close adherence to custom. The tannery of the United States Leather Company at Old Fort was destroyed financial loss of between \$750,000 and \$1,000,000. At about the same time on the same date the lumber plant of the A. T. Griffin Lumber Company at Goldsboro, was damaged, enabling a loss of about \$25,000. At the alarm of this fire in Goldsboro thousands of people visiting the camp of the Second Regiment North Carolina National Guard nearby, were thrown into a panic and in the stampede that followed a number of persons were injured and several women faint.

Fire at Turpentine, a small village twelve miles from Asheville, was practically wiped out by fire Saturday, March 31, when a large saw mill with quantities of lumber, several other buildings, and two cribs of corn (\$1.30 a bushel) were burned. A hotel and garage nearby were damaged, but saved from destruction by the work of a bucket brigade. A railroad trestle was damaged and traffic on the Murphy branch of the Southern Railway tied up for several hours.

This record shows that if there is a time when special vigilance is needed in fire prevention work and the purpose of the "Safety First" plan it is at this particular season of high winds.

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Every Day It Is Easy to Say "Just Charge It" Then some day comes the statement. Startling—could it be so much—how money goes—how can I manage to pay it? Those who trade at cash stores are never in debt. They never spend more than they really can afford. But this is not all. Added to your bill, only you don't see it, is that of the man who does not pay at all, a book-keeper's salary, interest on long carried accounts and often lost discounts on purchases, for usually merchants who credit are hard up and do not pay promptly themselves. Prudence demands that you patronize the cash store, where "THE PRICE IS THE THING." H. A. PLUMMER

ON TO WASHINGTON Confederate Veterans' Special Account of the Confederate Veterans' Reunion The Southern Railway System Will sell June 2nd to 7th round trip tickets to Washington, with final limit June 21, 1917. Final limit may be extended to July 6, 1917, by depositing ticket with Special Agent, Terminal Station, Washington, before midnight June 21st and paying 50c. Special train of sleeping cars and day coaches will be operated on the following schedule: Sunday, June 3rd, Leave Asheville at 2:25 p. m. Monday, June 4th, Arrive Washington at 7:30 a. m., approx. If Pullman reservations are desired send money order for \$3.00 for Lower or \$2.40 for Upper berth to the undersigned and avoid trouble the last moment. Following round trip rates will apply from stations named: Lake Toxaway \$11.50 Rosman \$11.30 Brevard 11.10 Pisgah Forest 11.00 Penrose 10.95 Horse Shoe 10.75 On account unveiling Robert E. Lee monument, the Pennsylvania Railway will run a special train from Washington on June 8th, leaving Washington, 7:15 a. m., arriving at Gettysburg 10:45 a. m. Returning leave Gettysburg 6:00 p. m., arrive Washington 9:37 p. m. Fare for round trip \$3.00. These will be the most attractive rates made to Washington this year and affords a splendid opportunity to the public to visit the many attractive places in the East. The public at large is cordially invited to take advantage of these rates. For further information call on your local agent or write the undersigned. J. H. WOOD Division Passenger Agent, Southern Railway System ASHEVILLE, N. C.