

Sunday School Lesson For November 16th

Peter's Confession.

The fickle crowds have vanished Jesus is alone with his disciples in a quiet place. They are somewhere near the woods, fountains and rocks of Caesarea Philippi. The place is far removed from the distracting scenes of Jerusalem. The beauty and quiet of the place after a long period of retirement from the scenes of public attention were conducive of meditative thought. Even before Jesus asked the momentous question of our lesson the disciples had no doubt pondered over the Person and Nature of their Miracle Working leader. Their daily impressions had very probably compelled them to know what others were thinking of him.

Whom do men say that Christ Jesus, our Lord, is? What men say of Christ is the only index we have as to what men think of Christ. The sayings of men concerning Christ are by no means uniform. It was thus in the days of the Apostles. If we can accept the answer of the Apostles as an index of the general opinion of men we note that men as a rule had a very exalted opinion of Christ. Evidently they looked upon him as being in a class with the greatest of the prophets. We are glad that this record does not contain the idea of those ignoble ones who looked upon Christ as a great teacher only or as a model man and nothing more.

While we wish that everyone could realize the truth about the Lord Jesus we are glad to note that non-Christians often place his character and work on very high ground. For instance, John Stuart Mill, an alleged agnostic, wrote, among other striking things, that "religion cannot be said to have made a bad choice in pitching on this man as the ideal representative and guide of humanity."

Charles Lamb once said: "If Shakespear should enter the room we should all rise; if Jesus Christ should enter, every one would kneel." We are glad to find this neat acknowledgment of Christ by a man of some literary attainments. Surely his statement would lead one to believe that he saw in him divine sonship.

What men say of Christ is of importance. But a question of far more importance is what do "I" say of Christ? The second question strikes a vital place in your life and mine. "Whom say ye that I am?" This is personal and pointed. It can not be evaded. We must say something—we must be a living epistle either for or against HIM; we cannot be neutral.

Simon Peter answered for the group. We believe that he expressed the opinion of a majority of the group. "Thou art the Christ, the son of the living God." Peter might have said thou art the anointed one. For Christ means anointed one. This answer ex-

pressed by Peter is the same answer that every believer gives to the question. Unbeliever in Christ, thinking as you are, in the midst of the so quiet and beautiful hills, are you not ready to make answer clear and strong: "Jesus is the promised Saviour, and he is my Saviour, too." Confess him and submit to HIM today.

The first work that fell from the lips of Jesus, after Peter made his confession shows how he felt. The word is literally translated "happy." How happy he was to find someone who could speak for a group and express a great trust in him. He was happy indeed and the cause of his happiness was the fact that God the Father had revealed this to Peter, and not any erring mortal search.

The deity of our Lord has been revealed of God. We regret that there are those who do not see and understand. The follower of Christ is not to argue or despise the person who does not grasp the reality of the deity of our Lord. It is the Christian's duty to plead the case of the dazed mind at the throne of grace and to sincerely trust that he may finally come and worship the Lord.

Jesus told Peter that he was a rock. The deity of Christ is the rock foundation of his church. It is around men of the rock who have the revelation of God as to the Saviour's deity within them that the church of the living God is established. With such men in his church, and no age has been without them, even the gates of hell itself cannot prevail. When we are in despair as to the church a very good thing to do is to examine one's own heart to see if there is any revelation from God there. Then count the pillars in your church. If they are men of the rock then the church will stand.

Hawkins Home

Being Remodeled

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hawkins in East Murphy is being attractively remodeled this week. The porch is being greatly extended and enlarged by the building of a red brick extension in front. The new addition is adding greatly to the appearance and value of the property.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to express through your columns my thanks and appreciation to the good citizens and voters of Cherokee County for their support and vote and for the good majority given me for Sheriff in the recent election. I assure one and all of a term of courteous treatment and a square deal. B. B. MORROW.

WANTED—Clothing salesman for Cherokee and Clay Counties to sell Super-Cloth clothes. J. E. Cox, F. S. Marble N. C., Route 1. (1t-pd)

50,000 IN LIFE-SAVING SERVICE OF RED CROSS

Additional 50,000 Water Safety Experts Probable Gain of Summer Campaign.

A boy watched an expert give a class a lesson in the way to revive a person unconscious from water immersion. The next day the boy tried it on a bathing companion and saved his life. Such a boy justifies all the effort and the cost of the Life-Saving Service, American Red Cross officials declare. The Red Cross method of restoring partly drowned persons is so simple that the continual large sacrifice of life must decrease as an informed public insists upon general instruction in proper pressure practice to induce respiration.

The Red Cross Life-Saving Service in every part of the country, summer and winter, is engaged in teaching this method as an integral part of swimming and life-saving. This service has grown from a single expert in 1914 to a corps of almost 50,000 active life-savers. In this tenth year of the work it is predicted that fully 50,000 more experts will be eligible for membership in the corps. This large accession in a single year is confidently expected as the result of the campaign among 22,000 troops of Boy Scouts under a plan to qualify at least two life-guards in each troop.

During the past year 4,746 men, 3,374 women, 2,731 boys and girls successfully passed the rigid tests of the Red Cross—an increase of 5,331 over 1923. Intensive instruction is developing hundreds of qualified examiners for the Red Cross Life-Saving Corps, who supplement the teaching staff maintained by the national organization. The cause of water safety is therefore penetrating to new sections and eventually will cover all American territory.

Recognition of this Red Cross service for humanity is growing apace. At the request of the War Department every military training camp had life-saving instruction last summer. Municipalities have adopted the Red Cross course, public and private schools are offering it to students, business, civic and athletic organizations are promoting campaigns, and police departments are making it a part of the conditioning process for their recruits.

Volunteer life-savers throughout the country, the American Red Cross reports, are eagerly advancing the cause of water safety, 388 volunteers receiving medals for giving from 200 to 300 hours' service in two or three years. In addition 36 rescue bars to medals were awarded members of the Red Cross Corps who saved one or more lives during the year.

It is for the work and extension of life-saving that continued support through memberships is sought, and the American Red Cross urges all persons to join or renew membership during the enrollment campaign opening Armistice Day, November 11.

Red Cross Invites All Into Neutral Army of Service

There are 3,689 counties in the United States and more than 3,500 Chapters of the American Red Cross. The Chapter is the local unit of the national organization, formed to carry out the program, services and policies of the Red Cross. The industry of these 3,500 local units is a voluntary and steady outpouring of well-doing and sympathy which softens human suffering and distress wherever it arises. This work is absolutely neutral for the Red Cross knows no race, no creed, no color.

The strength of the American Red Cross being in its Chapters, the organization annually invites the people to join or renew their membership during a Roll Call which always begins on Armistice Day, November 11. "It is this annual enlistment of millions of Americans under the banner of the American Red Cross which makes possible the continued work of this great and democratic legion of mercy," says Judge John Barton Payne, head of the national organization. "Membership in the Red Cross is a privilege within the reach of everyone. The need for service grows more insistent each year. To keep pace with the demands which come from every section of our country, we must have the people's loyal support. Our capacity for service in the year to come will be limited only by the extent to which we receive support for our work in the coming Roll Call."

The invitation of the American Red Cross is unlimited. The enrollment period, Armistice Day to Thanksgiving, is everyone's opportunity to join.

Annual Summons to Service
The annual nation-wide Roll Call of the American Red Cross to enroll members for 1925 will open on Nov. 11, the anniversary of that tense and never-to-be-forgotten Armistice Day six years ago, which silenced the crashing arms of the World War. The enrollment will continue for 17 days, through Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27. Preliminary to the Roll Call period will come Red Cross Sunday, Nov. 9. During the 17 days set aside for the enrollment more than 3,500 Chapters of the Red Cross and their thousands of branches will invite the people to join the Red Cross or renew their membership.

SUNNY POINT.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris, of Isabella, Tenn., visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Harris.

Mr. Allie Johnson and Miss Myrtle Abernathy visited Miss Evelyn Harris Sunday.

Messrs. Clyde Lawrence and Matney Montgomery and Miss Verna Lawrence spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Willie Wallace.

A large crowd attended the spelling match Thursday night.

Mr. Calvin Bruce died of pneumonia and was laid to rest in Hawewell cemetery Friday.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of L. W. Shields and Loucile Patton.

Mr. Clayton Bryant has returned home from Smoky Mount where he has been engaged in work.

Mr. Walton Montgomery, of Ball Ground, Ga., spent last week visiting relatives and friends of this section.

Mr. A. Rice spent several days in Murphy last week on business.

Mr. W. C. Montgomery and family are planning on moving to Gastonia this week.

CULBERSON.

There was a nice ring spelling at the Culberson school house Friday night.

Mr. Guy Hyatt, who is attending school at Young Harris, Ga., is visiting home folks.

Mr. Vernon Ellis left for Gastonia last week.

Mr. B. R. Carroll and daughter, Christine, left for their new home near Ranger, Saturday.

Mrs. S. A. Moore made a trip to Hothouse Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

Prof. Kilpatrick and family spent the week-end with his mother at Marble, N. C.

Mrs. W. C. Mason made a business trip to Murphy last week.

Mr. Alonzo Culberson and family of Isabella, Tenn., visited his mother, Mrs. H. C. Culberson, Sunday.

Mr. Charlie Balkow returned from Sunburst, Tenn., last week.

Mr. U. S. Nichols family, of Worth, Ga., were pleasant visitors in our town last week.

Among the out of town visitors here the past week were Mrs. S. Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bruce.



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