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## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson VIII.—First Quarter, For Feb. 23, 1908.

### THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, John v. 1-18. Memory Verses, 8, 9—Golden Text, Matt. viii, 17—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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The Lord had appointed feasts for Israel in which they might draw near to Him and in which He might specially reveal Himself to them and bless them. A full record of these is found in Lev. xxiii. These feasts had become feasts of the Jews rather than feasts of the Lord (John II, 13: v. 1; vi. 4; vii. 2), in which they relied upon their outward devotion to Him rather than on His undeserved mercy; hence His saying, "Go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy and not sacrifice" (Matt. ix, 13: xii. 7). He came to bestow the mercy of God, not to demand sacrifices from them as if they must pay Him for all He did for them. We are all as helpless in the matter of salvation or of service as was the sick and dying boy in last week's lesson to obtain health or his father to give it to him. Here in this lesson is another illustration. There is a pool whose waters at certain seasons are troubled by an angel and become possessed of healing properties which are exhausted by the first diseased one who steps in. About this pool lay a great multitude of impotent folk waiting for the moving of the water. They are a constantly disappointed crowd, for only one of the multitude can be healed. The next must all wait for the next scramble, and only the least helpless stands any chance whatever, and a wholly impotent person had no chance at all of obtaining health from that pool. The condition of all by nature, without strength, ungodly, sinners, enemies (Rom. v, 6-10), but what is represented by the pool, by which some one with a slight ailment was healed, is not quite so clear, for there is only one way of salvation, and He is a Saviour for sinners, not for righteous people who think they can do for themselves. Jesus came to these porches by that pool one day and saw there a truly impotent man whose trouble had already lasted him thirty-eight years. Noticing how matters stood, He said to him, "Wilt thou be made whole?" The man's reply, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool," shows his helplessness. All he could think of was the pool and a man to put him in. The pool he could see, but the man to put him in he had not yet seen, and when there might be a possibility of his being healed by that pool who could tell? Yet in his helplessness he continued until this day, when a seemingly ordinary man asked him this question and then added, "Rise, take up thy bed and walk" (verse 8), a wholly impossible thing for him to do, and yet he did it, for immediately he was well and strong and took up his bed and walked. A thirty-eight year trouble gone in a moment! Compare the miracle wrought upon the man who was over forty years old by the same Jesus risen and ascended through Peter and John (Acts iii, 2, 8; iv, 22). Splendid healings! Why not more of them? But what about all the rest of the multitude that day? Sometimes He healed all. Note His own remarks about only one widow and only one leper out of the many in the days of Elijah and Elisha (Luke iv, 25-27), and so we are dumb while yet we trust Him fully and rejoice to sing, "As for God, His way is perfect" (Ps. xviii).

The Jews accused the healed man of breaking the Sabbath. He fell back upon the command of the One who healed him, but he knew not and therefore could not tell who He was until he met Him in the temple and heard another message from Him. Then he made it known that Jesus had healed him. After this the Jews did persecute Jesus and sought to kill Him because, as they said, He had broken the Sabbath and also made Himself equal with God by calling God His Father. Instead of rejoicing in the great deliverance granted to the impotent man and giving heed to the words of his deliverer they have only hearts for their own affairs, their law, their Sabbath, their authority, and whoever does not submit to them must be broken to pieces.

Contrast God's treatment of the One in their midst whom they knew not. "The Father loveth the Son, hath committed all judgment unto the Son, showeth Him all things that Himself doeth" (verses 20, 25). They were professing to honor a God of their own imagination, not the God who brought them out of Egypt into the land of promise, for He was in their midst, but they were so blinded by their pride and self righteousness that they could not see Him.

Contrast His humility and emptiness with their pride: "I can of mine own self do nothing. I seek not mine own will" (verse 30). See how He looks onward to the resurrection of just and unjust at the beginning and end of the coming hour (verses 28, 29), the present age being the hour when those who are dead in sin may hear His voice and live (verses 25, 29). He can wait and be patient with the foolish ones who know Him not, for the kingdom is His and all power in heaven and earth, and in due time it shall be seen by all that God hath made Him Lord and Christ. He is the Fountain of Living Water, and pools are not necessary (Jer. II, 13: Is. lxxxi. 1).

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"Well, then, why don't you quit riding?" asked the inquisitive questioner.

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### A MAN'S HANDS.

Some Callings That Leave Their Trade-marks Impressed Thereon.

If your eyesight is keen enough it is possible to tell by looking at a person's hands what sort of employment that individual follows, according to scientific men.

It is a commonly accepted fact that the face reveals character, but very few persons have ever paid any attention to the hands as disclosers of a man's habits. Yet it seems we can get just as much information out of the latter as the former if we know how to go about it.

The continual repetition of the same kind of manual work, says Dr. Alfred Gradenwitz in the Scientific American, results in a permanent alteration of the skin and muscles as well as a transformation of the bones (atrophy or thickening of the parts), displacement of the joints, etc., for in repeating a given manipulation over and over again the palm and the balls of the thumb and little finger are called upon continually to perform the same action, leading to a permanent strain on and wear and tear of certain parts of the hand.

The greatest alterations are shown in the hands of laborers who do heavy manual work. They have coarse and clumsy hands, with short, thick and callous fingers, the balls of the thumb and little finger being especially developed and the skin being horny and covered with fissures.

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