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Text of the Lesson, Matt. xii. 1-14.  
Memory Verses, 11, 12—Golden Text,  
Matt. xii. 7—Commentary Prepared  
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"At that time" when these blind hypocritical Pharisees were specially diligent in rejecting Jesus as their Messiah, notwithstanding all His mighty works and gracious words, binding upon people heavy burdens, grievous to be borne. Jesus taught the weary burdened ones that in Him they would find rest. "At that time" (xi. 25; xii. 1), when these grace-doubters (as a missionary recently writing from China called these seventh day people) were making an idol of their Sabbath, while rejecting the Lord of the Sabbath who was in their midst, Jesus wrought these good works of our lesson today to teach them that in their midst was one greater than the temple, greater than Solomon, greater than Jonah (verses 4, 41, 42). When the kingdom comes the Lord alone shall be exalted, and all the loftiness and haughtiness of men shall be bowed down (Isa. li. 11, 17). Earth's mighty ones shall then have learned that "those who walk in pride He is able to abase" (Dan. iv. 37).

As Jesus and His disciples walked through the cornfields on a Sabbath day His disciples plucked ears of corn and did eat, rubbing them in their hands (Luke vi. 4). Then the Pharisees accuse Him and His disciples as law-breakers, evil doers, transgressors. It seems horrible that men should accuse their Maker, but they did not know Him, because they were blinded by the god of this world, as are all today who talk against God and His word, and there are many. They pretended to be very zealous for the law, so He said: "Have ye not read what David did?" "Have ye not read in the law?" (Verses 3, 5.) Dr. Scofield says "Jesus' action is highly significant." "What David did" refers to the time of His rejection and persecution by Saul (1 Sam. xxi. 6). Jesus here is not so much the rejected Saviour as the rejected King—hence the reference to David. Jesus continually referred them to their own Scriptures: "Have ye never read?" "Did ye never read in the Scriptures?" (Matt. xi. 16, 42.) Note that the Lord Jesus had full confidence in the authority of Scripture, the law, the prophets and the Psalms (Luke xxiv. 27, 44). These Pharisees professed to believe the Scriptures also, yet they fulfilled them in condemning Him. On one occasion Jesus asked not only "What is written in the law?" but "How readest thou?" (Luke x. 26.) We do well to consider whether we receive the Scriptures as they are in truth the word of God which effectually worketh in them that believe (1 Thess. ii. 3). If we are wholly subject to God and to His word Jesus will not only be our Saviour, but our Lord, whom we will delight to obey, not in order that He may have mercy upon us, but because He has had mercy on us and we have learned something of the meaning of verse 7.

Even in the synagogue where the law, the prophets and the Psalms were read every Sabbath they sought to accuse Him who had given them these Scriptures and who had given to each of them life and breath and all things, yet He patiently bore with them and reasoned with them. He reminded them that they would not hesitate to save the life of a sheep, even on a Sabbath day, and asking, "How much then is a man better than a sheep?" He asserted, "It is lawful to do well on the Sabbath days." Commanding the man with the withered hand to "rise up and stand forth in the midst." He also commanded him to stretch forth his hand, which he did, and it was restored whole as the other (Luke vi. 8-11). Then were they filled with madness and went out and held a council against Him, how they might destroy Him. Thus they prepare to seal His doom, as they think, but they are in reality sealing their own and fulfilling the Scriptures, which said, "They rewarded Me evil for good," "They hated Me without a cause," "They that sit in the gate speak against Me." "Many bulls have compassed Me—strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round" (Ps. xxxiv. 12; lxix. 4, 12; xxii. 12).

The time had not come for them to carry out their murderous thoughts, so Jesus simply withdrew from them and continued to heal the multitudes who followed Him—many who had plagues pressing upon Him to touch Him and unclean spirits falling down before Him and crying, "Thou art the Son of God" (Mark iii. 7, 12). Our lesson chapter says that He rebuked them all, but charged them that they should not make Him known (vs. 16). This also that the Scripture might be fulfilled, as it is written in Isa. xlii. 1, 4. That we who are His witnesses may apply many Scriptures concerning Him, at least in some measure to ourselves, see in Acts xiii. 47. Paul's use of Isa. xlii. 6. That we are His chosen ones see John xv. 16; Eph. i. 4; 1 Pet. ii. 9. That we are in the world as lights for Him see Matt. v. 14; Phil. ii. 15. That we may manifest His life let us ever behold Him as the perfect servant in whom the Father is well pleased and trust Him to fill us with His Spirit that we too may be well pleasing to Him, possessing the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

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