* LESSON *

Lesson for April 28

DECISIVE MOMENTS

LESSON TEXT-John 1:42; Mark 6: 27-20; Luke 22:54-57, 61, 62; John 21: 15-17.

MEMORY SELECTION—We ought to skey God rather than men.—Acts 5:29.

and triumphant faith in Christ.

fession (John 1:42; Mark 8:27-29).

I. A New Name and a Great Con-

When a man comes to Jesus in

true faith and devotion he becomes

changed man. The Bible speaks of

it as a new birth, a radical change

from darkness to light, a going from

A name is important in its bear-

ing on the individual's life. How

often parents hinder or embarrass

a child with an unworthy name,

or a foolish imitation of the name of some giddy individual in the pub-

lic eye, but lacking real character. Simon, which means "hearing"

was completed by the name Peter

meaning "rock," a token of this

change of direction of life. The

Lord gave it to him, and He knew

all about the man, his past, presen

and future, the longings of his heart

which were to be fulfilled in serv-

The great confession of Christ

(Mark 8), which became the foun-

dation of the church (see Matt. 16:

for him, and knew that it was the work of God, not the influence of

some philosophy of man, nor the re-sult of fellowing a great teacher or

"Thou art the Christ!" Such Is the conviction and confession of the

man or woman with the reborn life! II. An Awful Failure and a Deep

Repentance (Luke 22:54-57, 61, 62). Peter had vaunted himself in de-

claring his everlasting loyalty to the

Lord. His old self-satisfaction and boastfulness had overcome him. He had even come to the place where he telt capable of telling the Lord

He made the grave mistake of following the Lord "afar off" (v. 54). He did not intend to deny the Lord,

but he had allowed himself to get into a position where it was hard to

The lesson for us is evident. II e want our faith to be steady and true in the hour of the enemy's at

tack we must not get far from the

Lord, nor may we find our fellow-

ship with this Christ-denying world Peter's strong denial of our Lord, his use of language unbecom-

ing to a believer, his quick falseds-all these mark the thing he

did for what he knew it to be when

he heard the cock crow-a terrible

The look of Jesus doubtless car-

ried conviction, but one somehow

feels that it was even more a look

of tenderness and of assurance of the Lord's promised prayers for

The thing which brought the tears

of repentance was the remem-

brance of the Lord's own words (v. 61). It is the recollection of the Word of God which brings a man to

Peter's repentance was real. So we find that Peter was restored and reinstated in his place of service for

HI. A Complete Restoration and an Obedient Service (John 21:15-17). Jesus met Peter on the first Eas-

forgiveness. But Peter and life as had returned to their old life as

fishermen. They seem to have lost their vision, or had become dis-

But the Lord had not forgotten

them. He appeared and told them where to catch fish, and then we

have the lovely scene around the fire as they breakfasted together.

There it was that the Lord met Peter, and as he had denied Christ

thrice he is asked to thrice declare his devotion to Him.

The man who thus declared his eadiness to serve Christ to the end

had many an opportunity to prove the sincerity of that profession. He

the sincerity of that profession. He met persecution and imprisonment, but to every effort of man to close his mouth or to change his witness he had the simple reply of absolute obedience to the Lord.

Tradition tells us that this faithfulness finally led Peter to a martyr's death. So we see a life made over, made powerful, made glorious for God through the matchless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. He can do it for you, too. Will you let Him?

A. J. CAVENAUGH

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morning, so he was assured of weness. But Peter and the others

sin against the Christ.

that He was mistaken.

stand up for Him.

death to life.

ice for Mim.

an example.

to His repentant child.



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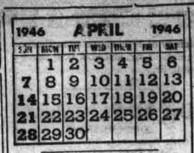
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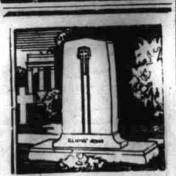
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In order that those who do not know me may better judge my fitness for the office I am seeking, here are some of the simple services rendered by me to my community, county and Country:

During World War 1, I was on active duty on the battle front in France for about 75 days as a buck private.

Helped organize and served as scoutmaster of the first Boy Scout troop in my community.

Took an active part in organizing the Farm Bureau and have been president of the County Bureau for a number of years. Also at present I am a member of the board of directors of the State Bureau.

Served during the war on the County Triple A Committee. The war put many extra duties on this committee which we tried to carry out conscientiously.

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Your vote and support will be appreciated. Lewis W. Outlaw