

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

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LESSON XII.—DEC. 22.

THE SAVIOUR'S LAST WORDS.—Luke xxiv. 44-53.

44. And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. 45. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures. 46. And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: 47. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48. And ye are witnesses of these things. 49. And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. 50. And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. 52. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: 53. And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."—Matt. xxviii. 20.

- 1. How long did Christ remain on earth after he arose from the dead?
ANS. About forty days.
2. Were the disciples very sure that it was indeed the Saviour?
ANS. Yes; they saw him many times, and he showed them his hands and his feet, which had been pierced by the nails.
3. Of what did he remind them?
ANS. Of the things written in the Bible about himself which had been fulfilled.
4. How did he help them to understand the Bible?
ANS. He helped them as we study the Scriptures?
5. What did Jesus say was necessary?
ANS. That he should suffer, and rise from the dead the third day.
6. Do we understand why this was necessary?
ANS. Perhaps not fully; but we know that the death of Christ brings us nearer to God, so that we may be forgiven and saved.
7. What did Christ say must be preached everywhere?
ANS. Repentance?
8. What is "remission of sins"?
ANS. They were already there, and the city was full of people who needed the gospel.
9. How did this command to begin at Jerusalem show the Saviour's forgiving love?
ANS. His murderers lived in Jerusalem; and he wanted them to have the gospel, that they might repent and be forgiven.
10. For what were the disciples to wait before they commenced preaching?
ANS. For the Holy Spirit.
11. Tell of Christ's parting with his disciples.
ANS. Did they feel as sad at his parting as when he was crucified?
12. Why should they feel so different?
ANS. Now they understood that he was the Son of God, and the Saviour of the world; and that they would soon follow him into heaven.
13. Why did they bless and praise God?
ANS. Because of his goodness in giving them such a Saviour.
14. Why should we bless and praise God?
ANS. That promise did Jesus make to them?
ANS. Is it for us as well as for them?
ANS. How can those who are not ministers preach the gospel?
ANS. Where should they begin?
ANS. In their own homes.
ANS. Have you ever tried to lead any one to the Saviour?
ANS. Are you sure you have found the Saviour yourself?
Message of God to us this week.
"YE ARE MY WITNESSES, SAITH THE LORD."
LESSON XIII.—DEC. 29.
REVIEW.
1. Tell the story of our Saviour's birth at Bethlehem.
2. What kind of a child was he while he lived with his parents at Nazareth?
3. Who was John the Baptist?
4. How was Jesus treated by the people of his own city?
5. What three disciples "forsook all, and followed him"?
6. How can we follow Jesus, now that we cannot see him?
7. What can you tell of the centurion's faith?
8. What kind of a sin is it to doubt God's word?
9. What did Jesus do for the widow of Nain?
10. Who is the friend of sinners?
11. Meaning of disciple?

- 12. How many disciples of Christ are there in your Sabbath-school class?
13. How can you be like the Good Samaritan?
14. What kind of prayers will God hear and answer?
15. Why is it hard for a rich man to be a good man?
16. What is the most important question that any one can ask?
17. What excuses do people make for not coming to Christ?
18. Tell the story of the Prodigal Son.
19. When Jesus healed ten lepers, how did they treat him?
20. How did Zaccheus show that he was truly converted?
21. What does Jesus wish his friends to do in memory of him?
22. For whom did he pray when on the cross?
23. After he rose from the dead, how long did he stay on earth?
24. What was his last command to his disciples?
25. If you cannot be a missionary or a minister, what can you do to show your love for Christ?

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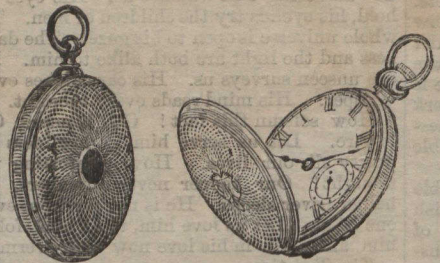
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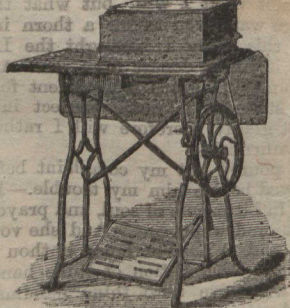
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