

his treacherous designs being revealed at the supper table, the traitor was driven to act at once, and to do quickly what he had designed to do. John 13. 27.

3. *Christ fulfilling all things.* Why did he go again into Jerusalem—knowing his danger there? He must “fulfill all righteousness” by partaking of the passover in the appointed place. Why did he suffer Judas Iscariot to go freely to his enemies, knowing that the traitor would lead them to Gethsemane? And then, why did he go forth calmly to that very place where they would seek him? “The Son of man goeth as it is written of him.” The written word must be fulfilled. And why? Because it is the transcript of the mind and heart of God. Jesus must go forth to his death, for this was the way by which God would save sinners, and manifest his love to a lost world.

And so now

Christ knows all things—Knows when a heart is turning toward him—knows when a heart is turning away from him; can read the secret desire which no one else suspects, and see through the fair profession, which is well esteemed among men, to the want of truth and love below it.

Christ regulates all things. People may plan to carry out their own will and pleasure, but they can go no further than he allows. Sinners can hurt themselves by their sin, but not frustrate his designs. And none can, without his permission, touch those who trust in him.

Christ fulfils all things The Bible tells each one what he has to expect. When you put your finger on what is written, you put it on what Christ is bound to fulfil, and whether it be mercy or judgment it will surely come to pass.

BEREAN METHODS.

Hints for the Teachers' Meeting and the Class.

A map of Jerusalem, Olivet, and Bethany, showing the walk of Jesus and the disciples to the passover. The origin, object, and institution of the passover. The method of its observance; how it was kept. How Christ was foreshadowed in the passover. The events of the lesson: 1. Preparation; 2. Partaking; 3. Prediction. Aspects of Christ as shown in the passover. (See Analytical and Biblical Outline.). What the passover required. (See Additional Practical Lessons.) Type of character in this lesson: 1. Jesus, tenderness, love, etc.; 2. Disciples, obedience, service; 3. The householder, generosity, self-denial; 4. Judas, hardness of heart. ILLUSTRATIONS. Let the story of the first passover serve as an illustration. Birds

light on the telegraph wire, unconscious of the words that may be passing on the wire beneath them; so in the sacramental rites, which contain great truths often forgotten or not understood by those who partake in the service. “The man with the pitcher,” unconsciously guiding the disciples to the slain lamb memorial of the Church. Christ fires in Michigan people were safe from flame only in the place where the fire had already passed. On the “burnt place” there was safety. So there is safety for men from God's wrath only by the cross of the Crucified. A young man within an hour of graduating in the attempt to pass his final examination by fraud, lost all his honors, and was expelled with disgrace on the last day of his college course. So Judas, an honored apostle all through Christ's ministry, fell at the end in utter, hopeless failure.

References. FOSTER'S CYCLOPEDIA OF ILLUSTRATIONS. Ver. 12-16, Prose, 10907, 11821, 11723, 6871, 440, 432-435. Ver. 13, Prose, 1377. Ver. 18, Prose, 3406. . . FREEMAN: Passover guests, 714; The pitcher and its bearer, 332, 744; The “upper room,” 333, 743; Preparation for the Passover, 715; Passover ceremonies in Christ's time, 716; Reclining at meals, 712; Mode of eating, 746.

Blackboard.

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Draw the cross in white; shade it with dark blue; drops of blood in red; the head of the lamb in white. If you find it difficult to draw the lamb, write over the cross, “The Lamb that taketh away the sin of the world.” The teaching of this design is Christ our passover. Here is another design:

“ONE OF YOU SHALL BETRAY ME.”

IS IT I?

(A bag of money.)

(A cross.)