

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

FEBRUARY 5.

CHRIST AND HIS DISCIPLES.—Mark 3: 6-19.

Herodians—These were the partisans of Herod, who maintained the rightfulness of the Roman dominion over Judea, and the propriety of introducing Greek and Roman customs among the Jews. The Church and the State had banded together to put "the deceiver of the people" out of the way as soon as possible. How they might destroy him—Observe how utterly in-efficient are miracles to persuade ungodly souls. Modern miracles would not convince modern skepticians.

Withdrew himself—Christ's example teaches his ministers their duty in a time of danger to fly from persecution, and to endeavor to preserve their lives unless when their sufferings are like to do more good than their lives. A great multitude followed him—The "following" does not merely indicate external following; it also was the beginning of a specific discipleship from which, indeed, most afterward receded but from which the germ of the Galilean believers, was afterward developed.

Idumea—This was the ancient Edom. It lay south of Palestine. Herod the great was by descent an Idumean. Beyond Jordan—Called by the Greek geographers Perea, a name limited by usage to that part of the land of Israel which was east of Jordan. This, as well as Idumea, would include a large extent of frontier territory, where the Jews were in immediate contact with the Gentiles. They about Tyre and Sidon—As the whole importance of Phenicia was derived from these two cities, it is designated by their joint names.

A small ship—It was doubtless something of the boat kind. The word ship is improper in many places of our translation, and tends to mislead. Should wait on him—Christ's object was probably in part retirement, for by the boat he could escape to the eastern and comparatively solitary shores of the sea, in part labor, for from the prow of the boat he could preach to the people on the shore without being hindered by the throng.

Unclean spirits—This circumstance proves the existence of evil spirits. If these were merely diseased or deranged persons, then it is strange that they should be endowed with knowledge so much superior to those in health. They should not make him known—Our Lord accepted not devils for preachers. Neither was the time come; nor were these the proper witnesses.

Called unto him—He chose them, not they him. Yet he chose with discerning power, knowing their character and state of heart. They came unto him—He named those who became his twelve, and from the crowd each one stepped forth.

Ordained is, in Greek, not a technical expression, but a very common verb, meaning made; that is, out of the whole number present, or, as some think, out of the selected number whom he called to him he constituted or created twelve to be a body by themselves; for what purpose, and with what official functions, is expressed in the remainder of the verses. That they should be with him—Mark states most definitely the office of the apostles. They were to be with Christ that they might bear personal witness to what they had themselves seen (John 15: 27; Acts 1: 21, 22), and Paul rests his claim to be an apostle on his having been an eye-witness to Christ's resurrection (1 Cor. 9: 1; 15: 8, 9), this was their preparation for their work. They were to preach—literally, to herald, that is, to go before and proclaim the coming of the Messiah in person to the Jewish nation, in spirit and in power to the whole world; and in his second advent to his Church; this was their work. And they were to have "power to heal the sick and cast out devils," a power subsequently exercised by the apostles; this was the divine seal and evidence of their authority.

Surnamed Peter (See John 1: 42)—The name itself does not denote constancy or firmness, which were not peculiar traits of Peter's character, but strength and boldness, or the founding of the Church upon a rock.

Boanerges—This word is composed of two Hebrew words signifying "sons of thunder." The reason of this appellation, which appears only here, is not given. It may signify the character and power of James and John as preachers, though their subsequent history does not justify this explanation. More probably it referred to their naturally fiery temperament, of which we see signs in Mark 9: 33 and Luke 9: 54.

This fact furnishes a most serious subject of reflection to all such as "feed others" by the ministry of God's holy word, "and yet neglect and starve themselves;" who bear their Saviour on their lips, but neither know him in their hearts, nor serve him in their lives; and who thereby incur a greater condemnation. Icarion has been variously explained as an appellative, but is now commonly agreed to be a local name, denoting man of Kerioth, as the similar form Ictobes, used by Josephus, means a man of Tob. As Kerioth was a town of Judah (Josh 15: 25) Judas is the only one of the apostles whom we have any reason to regard as not a Galilean.

How sorry some people are for faults which they will commit again next month.

PEACH STONES.

Several have asked how to prepare peach stones for planting. They are probably aware, that when the stones are kept dry all winter and then planted in spring, very few, if any, will germinate. In nurseries, the stones are not allowed to get very dry, but they are stratified or bedded just before winter sets in. The usual manner is, to mark out the limits of the bed and spread the stones over it to the depth of two or three inches; the stones are then spaded in as if turning under a dressing of manure. By this operation they are distributed through and well mixed with the soil, where they are left to freeze and thaw all winter. This treatment causes the halves of the stone to separate and the pressure within of the swelling seed can push them apart. This may be effected by other methods than that of spading in. The stones are sometimes spread upon the ground and covered with spent tan-bark or sawdust to the depth of three to five inches, and thus exposed to the weather. In spring, when the ground is ready to plant the stones that have been spaded in are separated by throwing the soil of the bed upon a riddle, such as is used by masons, the earth falls through while the stone are left upon the riddle. Those that have been under tan or sawdust are more easily recovered at planting time.—American Agriculturist for February.

USEFUL HINTS.

In case of poisoning, excite vomiting by tickling the throat, and by warm water and mustard.

Mix a little carbonate of soda with the water in which flowers are immersed, and it will preserve them for a fortnight. Common salt-petre is also a very good preservative.

The best method of obtaining a good shape for an under bodice is to pick an old dress with a basque to pieces, and cut from the lining. This will fit well and will always be a pattern to refer to.

The old canes of raspberries and blackberries should be removed during the winter. The pruning of the new canes should be done the latter part of February or beginning of March.

Stables should be kept warm enough in winter to make horses comfortable without blankets; then the blankets will do good service as coverings when the animal is left standing out-doors.

Suck poisoned wounds unless your mouth is sore, enlarge the wound, or better cut out the part without delay; hold the wounded part as long as can be borne to a hot coal.

When plants are in a growing state they may be stimulated by the use of guano water. A small teaspoonful of Peruvian guano dissolved in a pintful of rain water is strong enough; water the soil with this once, or at most twice a week. The water of Ammonia (Hartshorn) of the shops is about as good, and can be had everywhere. If of ordinary strength add a fourth of an ounce (two teaspoonfuls), to a gallon of water, and use as above stated.—Am. Agriculturist for February.

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INFORMATION.

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