

LESSON V—February 2nd, 1896.

The Power of Jesus. LUKE 5: 17-26.

BETWEEN THE LESSONS.

By his removal from Nazareth to Capernaum what prophecy was fulfilled (Matt. 4: 14)? What was the theme of our Saviour's preaching at first? Under what circumstances were Peter and Andrew called to discipleship (Mark 1: 16-20)? Had they met Jesus before? Under what circumstances did James and John become disciples (Luke 4: 1-11)? What surprised the people most in regard to Jesus, teaching (Mark 1: 22, 27)? What prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus' miracles of healing (Matt. 8: 17)? How is the popularity of Jesus in his first tour through Galilee described (Matt. 4: 23-25)? What imprudence on the part of one whom he had healed greatly hindered our Saviour's work (Mark 1: 45)? Note Christ's devotional habits (Luke 4: 31; Mark 1: 21, 35; Matt. 4: 23; Luke 5: 16).

LESSON VI—February 9th, 1896.

The Sermon on the Mount. LUKE 6: 41-49,

BETWEEN THE LESSONS.

Under what circumstances was Matthew called? (Mark 2: 14). Was the feast mentioned in John 5: 1 a passover? (This is a difficult question, and will, probably, never be settled, but good commentaries point out its importance in regard to fixing the duration of our Lord's ministry. Teachers and older scholars should at least know a little about it). What miracle did Jesus work at the pool of Bethesda? (John 5: 1-8). What verses are omitted from the story of this miracle in the R. V.? What evidence that such a superstition existed? (Verse 7). Why did the Jews object to the healing of this man? What did Jesus say of his relation to the Father in the discourse which followed the miracle? Of what act of Sabbath-breaking did the Pharisees accuse Christ's disciples? (Luke 1: 1, 2). How did Jesus defend them? What general principle of Sabbath observance did he lay down? (Mark 2: 28). On what ground did he defend his healing on the Sabbath day? (Luke 6: 9; Matt. 12: 12). What prophecy was fulfilled in Christ's unostentatious works of mercy? (Matt. 12: 17-21). Where and when were the Twelve set apart? (Mark 3: 16). Give their names. What famous discourse immediately followed? Read Matt. 5 and 7, and compare the parallel accounts.