

Christ's birth was Christmas, B.C., 5.

Baptism, January, A.D., 27.

Crucifixion and Resurrection, April, A.D., 30, (not A.D., 33.)

7. Give carefully, in order of importance, each *person* mentioned in the Lesson. What does the *QUARTERLY* say about each one? Find by references what the Bible says. Fix the name of the person, and some one thing about him.

8. Read the Lesson again, and then tell yourself, or, better, some one else, exactly what you have read.

9. Think over the Lesson, and picture the whole scene in your mind, until it becomes real to you.

10. Ask yourself why the Lesson was given. Learn the Golden Text.

11. Kneel down and ask God's Spirit to guide you, to help you use this Lesson rightly, and to fit you for His service.

12. Never omit the Daily Readings selected by the International Bible Reading Association and given in the *QUARTERLY*: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

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### Sailing on Galilee

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There is something strangely fascinating about sailing on any small body of water after nightfall. Then the spirits of the night seem to reach out toward you from the objects on shore. To sail on Galilee when the day is done and the first still hours of night have come, is to feel all this intensified a thousand fold. Broken fragments of cities lie everywhere on its shores, countless myriads of lives have been lived in these cities; up and down the great roads which pass it on the west and the north, caravans, armies, companies of travellers and bands of pilgrims have passed. Here and there among its cities, back and forth across its waters, Christ and his disciples have passed and repassed. All are vanished now. Only one poor, little, straggling town keeps watch over the lake as it sleeps, and when we leave it behind, the Genius of Galilee takes full control of us.

The wind is fresh and steady, and our boats,

under the skilful management of their Syrian boatmen, glide noiselessly toward the lower end of the lake. Every now and then, rushing with resistless force down the funnel-like wadies which at short intervals break through the hills, rude gusts lash the water into great billows, and cause our frail craft to careen so far over as to take in water on the leeward. But the short-lived gust soon passes and we are sailing over an almost waveless sea, gliding on into the darkness, with only the cheery lap of the wavelets about our prow, as we cut through them on our course.

Being only one hundred and fifty feet at its greatest depth, and lying in a funnel-like basin, between great hills, pierced here and there by deep, narrow wadies, Galilee is peculiarly susceptible to sudden squalls, and its surface responds most readily to them, rising in great billows, and sinking again to almost perfect stillness in a few minutes. In our progress of about eight miles from Tiberias to Semach, we passed through half a dozen such squalls, with their successive calms. It is a moody little sea, but its every mood gives to it a fresh touch of color, and stirs some new chord of memory.

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### According to Tradition

Matthew was slain with the sword in a city of Ethiopia.

Mark was dragged through the streets of Alexandria, in Egypt, till he expired.

Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in Greece.

John was put into a caldron of boiling oil at Rome, but escaped death. He afterwards died a natural death at Ephesus, in Asia.

James the Less was thrown from a wing of the temple, and then beaten to death with a club.

Philip was hanged up against a pillar at Hieropolis, a city of Phrygia.

Bartholomew was flayed alive by the command of a barbarous king.

Andrew was bound to a cross, whence he preached to the people till he expired.

Thomas was run through the body with a lance, at Coromandel, in the East Indies.

Jude was shot to death with arrows.

Simon, the Zealot, was crucified in Persia.

Paul was beheaded at Rome by Nero.