

is taken, show that this week again we are studying a part of The Sermon on the Mount. Briefly review the main points in the two other lessons taken from that Sermon, and lead the class to see that in them Jesus described the kind of people he wishes his followers to become. In this week's lesson he tells how his followers can become the kind of people he described.

**Question on the meaning of the Lesson Title.** Be sure that the words principle and Christian are understood, then ask in which verses of the lesson passage we find the first rule or principle of Christian living (see vs. 19-21). Have these verses read and get your pupils' ideas on what Jesus meant by "treasures upon earth," and "treasures in heaven." Tell them that a wise man who lived long ago (Mohammed) once said, "A man's true wealth hereafter is the good he has done in the world to his fellowmen. When he dies, people will ask, 'What property has he left behind him?' But the angels will ask, 'What good deeds has he sent before him?'" Try to impress the worthlessness of lives in which there is no higher aim than the acquiring of material wealth.

Discuss the meaning of light (Rev. Ver. "lamp"), single and evil. (See The Lesson Explained and QUARTERLY or LEAFLET.)

Then have vs. 22, 23 read by two pupils and develop the comparison between the bodily eye and the spiritual eye which we call conscience. If the eye is in a healthy state every object is pictured accurately, but if the eye is diseased or imperfect, nothing is seen as it really exists. So it is with our consciences. They must be, "put to school with Jesus Christ," before they are fitted to guide us unerringly.

Ask if any pupil can state the principle of Christian living laid down in v. 24. What does mammon mean? How can mammon be served to-day? Show that the strife still exists and that there is no neutrality. Each of them must be on one side or the other. (See ch. 12 : 30.)

Have vs. 25-34 read verse by verse. Picture the quiet scene on the mountain side and note Jesus' use of the objects around him to illustrate his teaching. What truths about Christian living are stated in these verses? Lead your pupils to realize that industry and thrift are clearly taught, that only worry and distrust of our heavenly Father are forbidden. If God's children do their very best as the birds and flowers do, they may trust him to provide for all their needs.

Close by repeating the Golden Text in unison.

## FOR TEACHERS IN THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

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Teachers in the Primary Department should study carefully the scholars' materials in the PRIMARY QUARTERLY.

**AIM OF THE LESSON.** To teach that this is our Father's world and that we are his own children whose every need will be supplied if we but trust him.

**THE STORY.** We are still having a part of that same Sermon on the Mount that we studied last week. Great crowds had followed Jesus, and there were surely many children.

Perhaps the children may have been gathering some of the bright colored lilies that grow wild in the fields of Palestine. Perhaps the birds flew about above Jesus' head as he talked.

That may be why he spoke of the birds and the flowers in his sermon, and we may be sure

that the children listened to him. He had been talking about prayer, and had told them the prayer that we say beginning, "Our Father which art in heaven," for those people did not know how to pray to the Father.

Jesus did not want them merely to learn some words and say them over and over and over in a long prayer which did not mean anything. He wanted them to thank the Father for his care and to ask him to help them day by day. When we say that prayer let us remember that it is the prayer that Jesus taught, and let us think about what it means.