

Lesson I. Bring out His command to pass over to the other side of the lake, and their obedience. Notice the divine attestation to His works in the supremacy of the Master over the forces of nature and the wonderful deliverance He brought to the disciples.

Lesson II. Dwell upon the two main conceptions of the kingdom of God as held by the Pharisees and Jesus, the one external and mechanical, the other personal and spiritual. These two views of religion have always been in conflict. The Old Testament prophets were continually protesting against the external mechanical view of religion. The divine authority of Jesus' conception is fully established by the experience of those who have tested it in daily life and by its acceptance in every valid principle of ethics.

Lesson III. The main line of thought to discuss is that two representatives of the Gentiles came to Jesus and asked for healing for others. It was an appeal which met a generous response to faith which interceded with the Master. As soon as they obeyed blessing came. Jesus made obedience the condition of blessing. Bring out the thought that such obedience is the surest proof of an inner faith.

Lesson IV. This Lesson has two incidents, one the exercise of divine power in restoring speech to the dumb, the other the feeding of the four thousand, where Jesus' word carried divine power to multiply the food. Remind the class of the place Jesus gave to the disciples in handing on to others the results of the miracle.

Lesson V. Bring out the divine insight which searched the superficial views of the Pharisees and warned against such deception as the Pharisees were practising. Note how generations of disciples have rejoiced in the warnings Jesus uttered against such hypocrisy.

Lesson VII. Show how this confession has always been accepted as true and how disbelief in the divinity of Jesus makes the attitude of men one of blind quest for authority in religion and satisfaction for the spirit in its longing for an ideal and fellowship.

Lesson VIII. The heart of this Lesson is the special attestation to His divine mission which strengthened the faith of the disciples.

Lesson IX. Deal with this as a case of weak faith clinging to divine energy and reaping its reward. Even weak faith does not go unrewarded.

Lesson X. Bring out the heart of this Lesson which is that the place of the disciple is to obey the Master's will even as a little child. Note the place of faith in the childlike character.

Lesson XI. This Lesson shows that divine authority demands a divine forgiving spirit in daily practice.

Lesson XII. Bring out the main thought that Jesus pressed His authority upon all who would follow, and urged all to count the cost and follow. The one Lesson to enforce and apply is that if we put Jesus to the test practically we shall realize the consciousness of His divine power as sufficient for our needs.

### THE QUARTERLY REVIEW

#### FOR SENIOR SCHOLARS AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS: A Review, by Lesson Titles

The Lessons of the Quarter cover about six months in the life of Christ, and bring us down to the autumn before His death. The Lesson Titles may be made use of for Review purposes.

1. *Jesus Walking on the Sea*, Mark 6: 45-56. Why did He not go in a boat? What kind of a night was it? What effect did the storm have upon the fishermen-disciples? How were their fears removed? We have no reason to fear in any kind of weather when we have Jesus with us.

2. *Clean and Unclean*, Mark 7: 1-13. Some people in this Lesson have a good deal to say about clean and unclean hands. Who were they and what did they mean by these terms?