

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

MAY 21

SEEKING AND CONFESSING THE CHRIST.—Mark viii. 22-33.

1.—This miracle is recorded only by St. Mark. The chief peculiarity about it is, that it was wrought progressively. The first touch gave to the man a power of seeing objects dimly, without being able to distinguish their forms; but it was not until after Jesus had put His hands again upon his eyes that he saw "all things clearly." The verse 24 in the Revised Version is noteworthy. "I see men; for I beheld them as trees walking." The reasons for this cure being accomplished in two stages and by two acts of Jesus Christ are not given. One lesson is that Jesus Christ is not shut up to any one mode of action in giving sight to those who are spiritually blind. The process may be in some cases an instantaneous, and in others a gradual one; and it should be particularly noted that our spiritual vision is not likely to be less clear because our eyes were opened gradually. In many respects, in fact, most people's discernment of spiritual objects is at first like the blind man's view of men as trees walking, and it takes some time before they see all things clearly.

Observe how very prominent the man's own acts are. When Jesus said to him "Seest thou ought?" he "looked up," and it was then he found he could see; and afterwards it was when "he looked steadfastly" (Rev. Ver.) that "he saw all things clearly." The application is very striking. Some people never see anything spiritual, heavenly or Divine, because they are always looking down. Others, whose eyes have been opened so that they have begun to see, never get a clear view of anything spiritual, because they fail to look steadfastly. And some get their eyes closed up and are in spiritual darkness again because they look back.

2.—Jesus, of course, knew all that had been said about Him by the people but He asked "Whom do men say that I am?" in order to prepare the way for "But whom say ye that I am?" The answer the disciples gave shows that the popular Jewish mind was ready to receive any absurd belief about Him, rather than admit the truth. It showed how little He had been understood, and how utterly the fixed, national idea of a Messiah had darkened the general mind. They could not say that any regarded Him as the Messiah. His refusal to appeal to force and head a political revolution had caused an almost universal repudiation of the thought. Jesus expressed neither sorrow nor displeasure at such an utter failure to recognise Him in His true character. "He, Himself, knew whom He was, and was unaffected by any popular judgment."

3.—To the previous question many answers came from the lips of the disciples, but to the second one "Whom say ye that I am?" Peter was the only one who replied. Possibly others of them would have done so, but it seems as though Peter, with his usual impulsiveness, did not give anyone else time to speak. On this occasion he was probably a truer spokesman of the beliefs and sentiments of his fellow disciples than on some other. But the time had not yet come for them to make this claim publicly known in His behalf, and so silence was enjoined on them. It should be noted that Peter's emphatic avowal of faith in the Divine character, as well as the Messianic claims of His Master, elicited a special benediction (Mark xvi. 17). A special blessing always accompanies a full confession of faith in Christ. Those who believe in Him, but are afraid or ashamed to say so, lose the joy and satisfaction of spirit which follow from such a confession.

4.—It is remarkable, but was no doubt part of His design in calling forth this avowal of faith, that Jesus should take this opportunity of telling His disciples of the sufferings and death that were awaiting Him. We are told that He said this openly, in words they could not fail to understand. And though He added that He would rise again the third day, their minds were too full of the disconcerting intelligence of His previous words to take in the full meaning of the concluding sentence. It must have been a sudden shock to their faith and a great blow to their expectations. Though their minds had been, to some extent, cleared of mere worldly notions of the Messiah, it is evident that their thoughts still dwelt only on the prophetic visions of His glory, and they had yet to learn that His glory could only be attained through suffering and death. To familiarise their minds with this true view of His mission Jesus spoke these words to them.

5.—St. Mark tells us simply that Peter "took Him and began to rebuke him." That is, he took Him on one side and began to remonstrate with Him for thus casting such a cloud over their hopes. But St. Matthew tells us what he said: "Be it far from Thee, Lord; this shall never be unto Thee." With the best intentions, Peter thus brought down upon him from His Master's lips a stern rebuke, in striking contrast with the benediction spoken just before.

The terms of this rebuke show very plainly that Jesus regarded Peter simply as the instrument of the great tempter, who was ever putting before Him the temptation not to drink of that cup, nor to seek His glory through that dreary ordeal of

suffering and death; and who now made a favoured disciple the medium of speaking out that temptation in plain words.—Abridged from Sunday-school Magazine.

USEFUL HINTS.

Old wall-paper may be very much improved by simply rubbing it well with a flannel cloth dipped in oatmeal.

Light, brown biscuit for tea are made of one pint of Graham's flour, one pint of sour cream, one teaspoonful of bi-carbonate of soda; roll them out as for any biscuit, and bake in a moderate oven.

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