

Jesus hears, not Peter's voice but, Satan's again, i.e., "carest for." "You desire a worldly kingdom gained after man's fashion instead of a spiritual one founded in accordance with God's plan."

LESSONS.

1. No confession of Christ which does not accept him as a divine Saviour is pleasing to him.
2. The Holy Spirit enables us to confess Christ.
3. The church of Christ can never be overthrown.
4. We should yield loyal and conscientious obedience to church authority.
5. God's way is always the best way, even though it seem dark and painful.

LESSON V—February 3rd.

The Transfiguration. LUKE 9:28-36.

(Commit to memory verses 29-31.)

GOLDEN TEXT.

"This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him."
Matt. 17:5.

PROVE THAT

We also may be transfigured. 2 Cor. 3:18.

SHORTER CATECHISM.

Quest. 7. *What are the decrees of God?* A. The decrees of God are his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

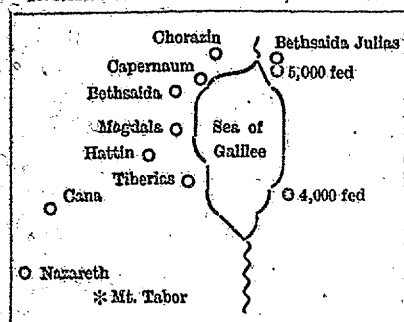
LESSON HYMNS.

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DAILY PORTIONS. *Monday.* The Transfiguration; Luke 9:28-36. *Tuesday.* The Voice from Heaven; Matt. 3:13-17. *Wednesday.* Witness of the Father; John 5:31-39. *Thursday.* The Glorified Name; John 12:23-33. *Friday.* Glory of the Lord; 2 Cor. 3:7-18. *Saturday.* The Glorified Saviour; Rev. 1:9-18. *Sabbath.* Peter's Testimony; 2 Pet. 1:16-21. (*The I. B. R. A. Selections.*)

HELPS IN STUDYING.

INTRODUCTORY. The events of our lesson



occurred just one week after the discourse with the disciples concerning the crucifixion. Matthew and Mark say six days after; Luke calls it eight days, evidently including the first and last in his reckoning. The traditional Mount of Transfiguration is Tabor. But the summit of Tabor was then occupied by a fortified town and would not have afforded the solitude implied in the expression "high mountain apart" (Matt. 17:1), and by Peter's bewildered proposal to build there three tabernacles. Besides, Mark 9:30 implies that they did not return to Galilee until after the Transfiguration. The tradition referred to cannot be traced back to less than 400 years after Christ. The common opinion now is that the mountain mentioned in the lesson was one of the southern spurs of

Hermion near Caesarea Philippi. (See map with last lesson.) Parallel passages, Matt. 17:1-3; Mark 9:2-13.

LESSON PLAN. I. Heavenly Companions. vs. 28-31. II. Earthly Disciples. vs. 32, 33. III. A Father's Approval. vs. 34-36.

I. HEAVENLY COMPANIONS. 28. Peter and John and James—These three were specially favored on other occasions. (Mark 5:37; 14:33.) The other nine remained at the foot of the mountain (Mark 9:14-29). To pray—it was one of his all night seasons of V. "dazzling," lit. "flashing as with light-devotion" (verse 22). 29. The fashion—