

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

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LESSON XIII.—SEPT. 29.

A MISSIONARY LESSON.—Rom. x. 12-15.

12. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek; for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

13. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

14. How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

15. And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

GOLDEN TEXT.—"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—John iii. 16.

1. For whom did Christ die? Golden Text.

2. Is there no other way of salvation but by Jesus Christ?

Ans. "Neither is there salvation in any other" (Acts iv. 12).

3. What does St. Paul say of all nations? Ver. 12.

4. In what respect is there no difference between nations?

Ans. In respect to God's love for them, and the way to be saved.

5. How is the Lord "rich unto all that call upon him"?

Ans. He has abundant blessings for all, and is ready to give them to all who need and ask for them.

6. Who may be saved? Ver. 13.

7. Is there any special way to call upon the name of the Lord?

Ans. With love and trust.

8. How many questions are asked in verses 14 and 15?

9. How many of them can you answer?

10. Whose duty is it to send the gospel to those who are without it?

Ans. The duty of those who have the gospel.

11. Are there many in this world who have never heard distinctly of Christ?

Ans. Yes; very many in our own country and in other countries.

12. What kind of work is it to carry the gospel to those who have it not?

Ans. "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" (ver. 15.)

13. Are there any difficulties and hardships in such work?

14. How, then, can so many be willing to do it?

15. What name do we give to those who go forth to do this work for Christ?

16. What does the word "missionary" mean?

Ans. A messenger, or one sent.

17. Who were the first missionaries?

Ans. The twelve disciples, or apostles.

18. What command did Jesus give them?

Ans. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark xix. 15).

19. Where were they to begin?

Ans. "Beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke xxiv. 47).

20. Where should we commence in this work?

Ans. In our own country, and take care of that first.

21. What serious questions should young people ask themselves?

Ans. Whether they ought not some time to become missionaries.

22. How will they find the answer to this question?

Ans. If it is asked seriously and earnestly, God will answer it.

23. If we cannot be regular missionaries, what can we do for this cause?

Ans. Give our money and our prayers and our influence.

24. Can you do missionary work without going far from home?

25. Have you ever done any work for Christ?

Mission work for every day.

"BEAR YE ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS."

FOURTH QUARTER.

LESSON I.—Oct. 1.

WARNING AGAINST FORMALISM.—Luke xiii. 22-30.

22. And he went through the cities and villages teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

23. Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,

24. Strive to enter in at the straight gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

25. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not, whence ye are:

26. Then ye shall begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27. But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not, whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.

28. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.

29. And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

30. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"Strive to enter in at the straight gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able."—Ver. 24.

1. What good was Jesus doing while on his journey towards Jerusalem? Ver. 22.

2. What question did one ask him? Ver. 23.

3. Why did he ask this question?

Ans. Just from idle curiosity.

4. How did Jesus answer it? Golden Text.

5. Why did he answer it in this way?

Ans. To show the man that it was of more consequence to be saved himself, than to know how many would be saved.

6. What is the meaning of the word "strive" in verse 24.

Ans. It means to try with all our power, and to use all our strength.

7. If you were in a burning house, and your life in danger, would you be careless and easy, or would you strive to escape?

8. Why should one strive more earnestly to do God's will than to save his life?

Ans. Because the life of the soul is worth more than the life of the body.

9. What is an illustration?

Ans. Something to make the meaning plain.

10. What illustration did Jesus give to those who were listening? Vers. 25-27.

11. What does the illustration in ver. 25 show us?

Ans. That some time God will shut the door of the heavenly home, and then some will be left outside.

12. What will they give us a reason why they should be allowed to come in? Ver. 28.

13. What does this mean?

Ans. People think, because they have been outwardly friendly to religion, and have been to church and sabbath school, that they are God's children, when it is not so.

14. Of what use is the form of religion if the heart is not in it?

Ans. Of no use at all.

15. If you say the words of a prayer, and are thinking of something else all the time, is it a real prayer?

16. What is necessary besides appearance of being religious?

Ans. A real love to God, which will lead one to do what will please him every day.

17. What will be a very sad day to those who have not this heart-love for God? Ver. 27, 28.

18. From what parts of the world will all the good be finally gathered? Ver. 29.

19. How did Jesus close this talk about being saved? Ver. 30.

20. What did it mean for those who heard him?

Ans. Jews, who knew about Christ first, were the last to believe in him; while the Gentiles, who heard of him later, believed before the Jews did so.

21. What does it mean for us?

Ans. People who have heard the gospel preached all their lives often think very little of it, and are the last to love and serve Christ.

22. How is it sometimes with the heathen when the gospel-story is first told them?

Ans. They believe it, and immediately begin to serve the Lord.

23. What is the most important question which any one can ask?

Ans. "What shall I do to be saved?"

24. If a heathen child should ask you this question, what should you tell him?

25. If you love Christ with all your heart, and try to do right, what kind of a child are you?

Ans. A saved child.

Resolutions for this week:

TO TELL SOME ONE THAT

"THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL UNJUSTNESS."

YOUR WIFE'S CLAIMS.

You are a man of business, and have no time to show attention to your wife—few opportunities to converse with her; at least, you make a few: She submits to this unsocial state of things because she must, but is she happy? Probably not; no woman likes to be considered a cypher. Your wife ought to be your best adviser. She ought to be your most confident counselor. The self-conceit of a man amounts to genius. There are many husbands who would as soon think of taking advice of their children as of their wives. But it is only the fool who is too wise to seek counsel. A woman, you say, knows very little about business; nevertheless her intuition is often better than a man's judgment. Your wife is your partner. You have earned the money, but she has saved and sacrificed and pinched and worried and worked to help accumulate it. She has done her fair share toward making your property what it is; she has a right to be consulted how it shall be used.

A double right has she to have her judgment weighed and measured in all questions relating to the disposition of the family, and the training and culture of the children. Talk to your wife on all occasions. When you come home at night, tired with the cares of the day, to find her equally fatigued, bring to her the news of the day, bring the latest, freshest thought. In buying your paper, or subscribing for your monthly magazine, or renewing your religious weekly, get what suits her needs and meets her tastes. There is more in that patient, quiet, silent wife of yours than you think; do not freeze her very individuality by your practical contempt of women. Morning Star.

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