

choice of all the world for his apostles, and he chose these fishermen; men who were simple, plain, industrious, willing to face hardships, teachable in spirit.

4. Christ seeks for *trained* workers. These men were untrained when he called them, but they spent three years in the best school of theology that was ever instituted, working with Christ and learning of him. Get training that you may use it for God.

5. Christ seeks for *consecrated* workers. They were called upon to renounce home, friends, property, and to give their all to him. So now he wants whole-hearted, consecrated, self-sacrificing men and women, who are willing to spend and be spent in his work.

6. Christ will *give success* to his workers. He who works for Christ shall receive abundant wages, even though he lose his all. He shall find joy in winning souls, and an eternal reward.

Berean Methods.

Hints for the Teachers' Meeting and the Class.

In order to show the connecting links between Lessons V and VI, a map might be drawn, the following journeys indicated upon it, and with each the events, as given in the General Statement. 1. From the wilderness to the Jordan at Bethabara (first disciples called). 2. Bethabara to Cana (first miracle). 3. Cana to Capernaum (short visit). 4. Capernaum to Jerusalem (cleansing the temple, Nicodemus). 5. Jerusalem to Sychar (woman of Samaria). 6. Sychar to Cana (nobleman's son healed). 7. Cana to Nazareth (rejection). 8. Nazareth to Capernaum (the lesson).

...Two plans of teaching may be suggested, one making *Christ as a Teacher* the center, as is shown in the Analytical and Biblical Outline. This may answer for older scholars. Show especially how he was a *preaching* teacher, that is, one who employs the voice and not the pen; an *individual* teacher, one who deals with men one by one, etc. ... Another method of treatment is to make *Workers for Christ* the topic, as shown in the Thoughts for Young People. ... A magnet will attract; but ordinary iron will not until it has been brought into contact with the magnet. Then it will have the magnet's power. So men can do nothing until Christ's magnetism has been imparted to them, and they possess his power.

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CATECHISM QUESTION.

6. What do you call this wonderful mystery?

The Incarnation of the Son of God.

7. Where is the Redeemer called a Mediator?

1 Timothy ii. 5. For there is one God, one Mediator also between God and men, Himself man, Christ Jesus.

Primary and Intermediate.

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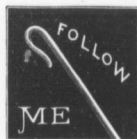
LESSON THOUGHT. *Jesus the Great Light.*

Locate the Sea of Galilee on the map. Let some child point out the birthplace of Jesus; another, his home in Galilee, Nazareth. Call on a third to tell why he did not remain in Bethlehem, after coming back from Egypt. A few questions will bring back in review the leading events in the life of our Lord up to this point.

JESUS PREACHING.

Question about John's preaching. See if children are clear about the meaning of the word *repent*. Illustrate: Johnny was a little boy who loved to play marbles. His mamma learned that he was playing "for keeps." She told him that this was the first step toward gambling, and that God was not pleased to see him do it. Johnny said he was sorry. He even cried when his mamma told him how dearly God loved him, and how sorry it made him feel to see his little boy do wrong. His mamma thought, "Johnny really repents." But in a little while Johnny was playing again "for keeps." Did he repent? In some such way show that repentance means turning away from sin, as well as feeling sorry for it. Picture Jesus walking by the sea, preaching in the churches, and visiting the towns, everywhere telling people to "repent"—be sorry for sin and leave it off. Why? Teach that the "kingdom of heaven" was "at hand," because the King had come. Print in very large letters, "Jesus." Below in smaller letters, "Preaching."

JESUS CALLING.



Tell that Jesus called his first disciples here. Read verses 18 and 19. Talk about fishing. Show that this was the business of these men. They sold their fish, and so made their living. Jesus said, "Follow me." Read verse 20, emphasizing *straightway*. They did not wait to sell their fish, to see their friends, or any thing. They just obeyed. Tell some simple story illustrating quick obedience. Go on with the calling of James and John, seeking to make the story vivid, and to bring out the thought that as Jesus called these so he calls us. Are we ready to hear and obey?

JESUS HEALING.

Print under preaching, "Calling" and "Healing." Talk about lame, blind, sick, and sorrowful people. Tell how they gathered around Jesus and were healed. Can he do such things now? Yes, for he is "the same." Tell how he still heals sick souls and opens blind eyes.

Make above "Jesus," on the board, a great yellow sun, with rays reaching out in every direction. Make a few dots for the disciples who heard and obeyed his call: a great many dots for the people who came to be healed; in another place, a great many more for the crowds which followed him. Tell that the light shone upon all, for Jesus is Light. But its rays were brightest and warmest upon those who obeyed the most quickly. Who will be a "straightway" Christian?

Lesson Word Pictures.

From shore to shore stretches blue Galilee. The white clouds are above it, and white sails are on it. There are fishing-boats off the shore. Here is one in which you can see two brothers lowering their nets into the water. They bend over the side of the boat. Their arms reach down to the glassy ripples. How intent they are on casting their net aright! Hark! There is a voice echoing from the shore. The two brothers raise their heads. The net hangs motionless from their hands. "Who is that?" they say. "Is it the strange preacher?" one of them is whispering. "It is Jesus!" They have heard his voice of music. They have been moved by his thoughts of wisdom. He is speaking. "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." The brothers stare at one another. Follow