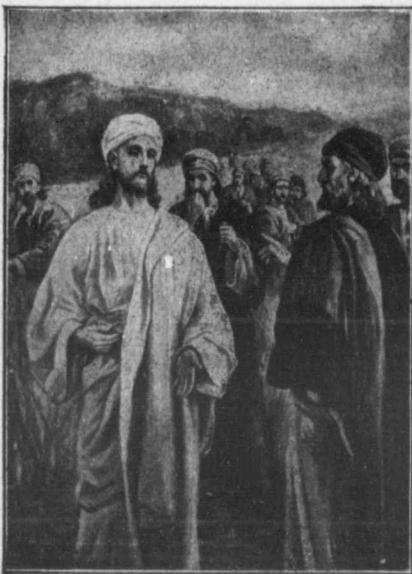


Lesson V.

JESUS LORD OF THE SABBATH

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Mark 2 : 23 to 3 : 5. Study Mark 2 : 13 to 3 : 6. *Scripture Memory Verses, 1 Sam. 3 : 6, 7.

Golden Text—The Son of man is lord even of the sabbath.—Mark 2 : 28 (Rev. Ver.).

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good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.

5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was a beautiful Sunday morning in a far away land, in the long ago time when Jesus lived in the world. Jesus and his fishermen friends and some others were walking along a country road enjoying the sight of the ripe yellow wheat on either side, and the fruit hanging upon the trees.

Wearied with their walk and hungry, the followers of Jesus began to pluck the ears of wheat and eat it, just as you boys and girls would do if you were walking through a wheat field at the harvest time. You know how nice the fresh wheat tastes.

If you look at our picture, you will see that a man has stepped up to Jesus and is shaking his finger at him as if he were angry. Jesus'

23 And it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began; as they went, to pluck the ears of corn.

24 And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?

25 And he said unto them, Have ye never read what David did, when he had need, and was an hungred, he, and they that were with him?

26 How he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and did eat the shewbread, which is not lawful to eat but for the priests, and gave also to them which were with him?

27 And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

28 Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

Ch. 3 : 1 And he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand.

2 And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him.

3 And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand, Stand forth.

4 And he saith unto them, Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.

followers are all looking at the man, wondering what he has to say. He is one of those proud Pharisees who made a great fuss about obeying the law, but in their hearts they were proud and bad. This man is saying, "Why do you let your followers do that which is not lawful to do on the Sabbath day? They should not be walking through the fields plucking wheat. They are breaking the Sabbath day."

Jesus looks at him and quietly says: "Have you never heard what your great King David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him? He went into the house of God and ate the temple bread. It was against the law for any one but the

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