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## LESSONS FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS.

Jan. 9th.—FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

Morning.—Isaiah 51. Matt. 5, 33.

Evening.—Isaiah 52, 13, and 53 or 54. Acts 5, 17.

Appropriate Hymns for First and Second Sundays after Epiphany, compiled by Mr. F. Gatward, organist and choirmaster of St. Luke's Cathedral, Halifax, N.S. The numbers are taken from H.A. and M., but many of which are found in other hymnals:

### FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

- Holy Communion: 177, 311, 320, 557.
- Processional: 76, 79, 219, 393.
- Offertory: 81, 178, 306, 367.
- Children's Hymns: 79, 334, 337, 565.
- General Hymns: 78, 218, 220, 487, 522, 547.

### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

- Holy Communion: 81, 315, 318, 552.
- Processional: 77, 318, 390, 488.
- Offertory: 80, 173, 186, 542.
- Children's Hymns: 76, 331, 335, 566.
- General Hymns: 75, 169, 170, 307, 486, 517.

## OUTLINES OF THE GOSPELS FOR THE CHURCH'S YEAR.

BY REV. PROF. CLARK LL.D., TRINITY COLLEGE.

Gospel for the First Sunday after the Epiphany.

St. Luke ii. 49: "Wist ye not that I must be in my Father's house?"

Of the short life of our Lord on earth, the greater part passed in obscurity. From His Birth to the time of His public ministry the veil raised only once. Selected for this day's Gospel as standing between manifestation to the Gentiles and first miracle. Note.

i. Our Lord's idea of His life and work on earth. "My Father's house," or "business."

1. How different from ordinary human conception. (1) Some aim at nothing in particular. Some at pleasure, gain, future bliss. (2) He simply at the work of His Father, the centre of which found in His house.

2. Corrects two opposite errors. (1) Error of service without love and freedom. (2) Error of a supposed sonship without service. We are free children of God, but also servants. ii. Exemplified in all His life.

1. Pervades His whole activity, "I came down. . . to do the will of Him that sent Me." "My meat."

2. Illustrated in this incident. (1) Going up to the feast. (2) Sitting at the feet of Doctors, God's ministers.

3. An impressive lesson. Ordinances not to be neglected. We may be taught by teachers more ignorant than ourselves.

iii. Illustrated in fulfilment of duties to men. Not merely religious observances.

1. A Difficulty: Conduct to Joseph and Mary. Doubtless allowed much liberty, which He never abused.

2. And He was subject to them. And further recognized in the Baptist the servant of God.

3. An example much needed. (1) Insubordination too common. A real evil and danger. (2) Christ's decision on this subject clear and distinct. And we must accept it, if we are His followers.

iv. Some lessons:

1. The secret of the unity of character and life. (1) Beauty of unity recognized. (2) Explained by a right central principle. Self the source of disorder. God the source of harmony.

2. A lesson for every age—young and old. At 12 Christ uttered these words; at 33 He said: "I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do."

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

To all our friends—subscribers, readers, contributors, and well-wishers—we wish a very happy New Year. To young and old, to rich and poor, to the healthy and the suffering, we wish all the blessings of the season. To all, since we write under the banner of Him who came for all, we wish all good things, remembering that if health and strength, and prosperity and wealth are gifts of God, yet He may make sorrow and suffering, and sickness, and poverty, and failure occasions for imparting His highest and purest blessings. Therefore, again, in the Name of Him, who said, the Lord hath "anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor: He hath sent Me to proclaim release to the captives. . . to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord"—in His Name we wish to all whom He comes to bless—to all our fellow-men we wish the happiness of which the poet sings:

"If happiness have not her seat,  
And centre in the breast;  
We may be rich, or wise, or great,  
But never can be blest."

And we are sure that those to whom these lines shall come will reciprocate our good wishes, and ask that a Happy New Year, and many of them, may be granted to The Canadian Churchman. Of this indeed, we are

well assured on many grounds. On the one hand, there has never been a time in the history of the paper in which greater efforts have been made to produce a paper worthy of the Anglican Communion in Canada, and on the other hand, we have been gratified by receiving from every side assurances of satisfaction with the contents, the form and appearance of the paper. Moreover, this satisfaction has been expressed in the most tangible and substantial manner by large additions to our subscription lists. No fewer than seventeen large post-office bags were required for the distribution of our Christmas number to subscribers outside the city of Toronto, and in the city of Toronto alone we last year added close upon seven hundred to the number of our subscribers. We trust that we are guilty of no excess of self-complacency when we cherish the belief that the approval thus manifested has not been undeserved. We have done our best to produce a genuine Anglican newspaper, loyal to our great historic Church, faithful and devoted to her interests. No sentiment has appeared in our columns at variance with her formularies or the utterances of her greatest sons. The news of her dioceses and parishes have been chronicled to the extent of our powers, and, as far as possible, in their due proportion. No party preferences have been shown, and if any ecclesiastical events have been overlooked, it is not to the managers of this paper that the blame must be attributed. In regard to the appearance of the paper—its paper, print, illustrations and general get-up—we have received so many expressions of satisfaction that we may dispense with further remark on the subject. As regards the future, we will only say that we will do our best for the Church and for our readers; and we doubt not that they will also do their best for us, by bringing the paper under the notice of their neighbours and obtaining for us fresh subscribers. It is unnecessary to remark that no paper can be continued at a high level of excellence unless it is liberally supported. We acknowledge with gratitude such support in the past, and we pledge ourselves to do our best to be worthy of it in the future. And so again, and may it be again and again in the days to come, we wish to all a Happy New Year and in order thereto the Blessing of God.

### GOOD WORDS.

We give a few extracts from the numerous expressions of approval of The Canadian Churchman we are continually receiving from our subscribers in all parts of the world:

The Bishop of Quebec, in forwarding his subscription, writes: "Your Christmas Number with its Christmas articles and Christmas pictures, is indeed a good one, and its title page places our Infant Saviour in His true position. I congratulate you very heartily, and I trust your good work may go on growing. Yours with best Christmas wishes."

Another Bishop, in forwarding his subscription, writes: "With every good wish for your-