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TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF THE MUTUAL RELIEF SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA: GENTLEMEN:—Received this day from your Treasurer, T. B. Crosby, Esq., the sum of \$1000, being the amount payable on a post certificate No. 100.

Though my late bereavement in the death of my husband is indeed a great loss, yet I assure you it is a satisfaction, in settling my affairs, to be dealt with so promptly and fairly.

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BIBLE LESSONS.

STUDIES IN THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW.

Third Quarter. Lesson VI. August 7. Matt. 4: 17-25.

JESUS IN GALILEE.

GOLDEN TEXT. The people which sat in darkness saw great light.—Matt. 4: 16.

I. JESUS BEGINS HIS PUBLIC PROCLAIMATION OF KINGDOM. For 17. From that time. When Jesus resumed his residence in Galilee, immediately after the imprisonment of John, his forerunner, whose message he now repeats and enforces, Jesus began to preach. Jesus had been teaching for more than a year, but for the most part privately and individually. But his sermon at Nazareth at this time (Luke 4: 16-31), "appears to have inaugurated his entry upon his life-work as a preacher of righteousness." Repent. That is, "change your ways, beginning at the beginning of all right change, with a change of thought."

For the kingdom of heaven is at hand. He was about to establish, in a duly organized form, a heavenly community, a peculiar theocracy, within the pale of which he would confer peculiar and most heavenly privileges. None but heavenly persons would be citizens of the community. Citizenship in it would not be ended, but only consummated, by what is generally called death.

How was THIS REASON FOR REPENTANCE? (1) The new kingdom furnished larger and stronger motives for repentance. (2) It gave more and greater helps to repentance. (3) It brought the assurance of forgiveness to those who repented. (4) It placed before men a definite occasion for repentance. (5) It awakened the conscience.

18. Peter and Andrew, and probably John, had accepted Jesus as the Messiah more than a year before (John 1: 35-42). But they did not receive a formal call at that time to leave all and follow Jesus permanently, and probably they "had returned to their ordinary occupation as fishermen, till they were called expressly to become fishers of men." And Jesus walking by the sea of Galilee. The Jews were accustomed to call every considerable sheet of water a sea. The Sea of Galilee is "about thirteen miles long, and in its broadest part six miles wide. It is 553 feet below the surface of the Mediterranean and 165 feet deep. There is always a beach of more or less breadth along the edge of the water; and north of Tiberias, in the direction of Capernaum, this beach expands into a flat fertile plain about two or three miles broad. In this plain was situated Capernaum, where Jesus now was. Saw two brethren, Simon called Peter. Simon is a contraction for Simeon, a Hebrew word meaning hearing. Jesus in his first interview with him (John 1: 42) had named him Peter, or Cephas, which means rock, or piece of rock (see chap. 16: 18). Cephas is the Hebrew form of the word, while Peter or Petros is the Greek form. Casting a net into the sea. A casting net, distinguished from the large hauling-net, is used in the Mediterranean and they were fishermen. It was a humble but respectable occupation, and one well fitted to promote vigor of body. Christ does not call idle men to work in his vineyard.

19. And he saith unto them. The circumstances in which this call was made are related with much greater fulness by Luke (5: 1-11). Follow me. Come hither and attach yourself to me as my "following," my followers, my disciples. And I will make you fishers of men.

FISHERS OF MEN. 1. The fishers are Jesus and his disciples. This is the work of every disciple. 2. The sea is the evil world. 3. The Gospel, with all its attractions and means of gaining souls, is the net. 4. Eternal life in the soul, here and hereafter, is the shore. 5. Great skill, patient toil, watchfulness, and care are necessary.

20. And they straightway. Immediately, without delay. They recognized Jesus as the Messiah, as they had done more than a year before. The miracle of the great draught of fishes assured and confirmed their faith, so that they were now ready to follow Jesus without question. Left their nets and followed him. Their nets were the means of their living, perhaps all their property. By leaving them immediately, and following him, they gave every evidence of sincerity. They showed, what we should, that they were willing to forsake all for the sake of Jesus, and to follow him wherever he should lead them.

21. Other two brethren. These were partners of Peter and Andrew (Luke 5: 10), and probably John was the disciple not named, who accompanied Andrew in his first visit to Jesus on the latter's return from 40 days' temptation (John 1: 37-40). James. Probably the elder of the two brothers. James is the Greek form of the Hebrew Jacob. Zebedee (Jehovah's gift). Husband of Salome, the sister of Mary the mother of Jesus (John 19: 25). Hence the two brothers were cousins of Jesus.

Heading their nets. Broken by the great draught of fishes (Luke 5: 6). 22. They immediately left the ship (boat) and their father. Probably with his consent. The call of God is above all earthly demands (Matt. 19: 29).

II. FACTS OF PREACHING THE GOSPEL.—Ver. 25. And Jesus went about all Galilee. This was his first circuit or preaching tour in Galilee. Galilee was a thickly inhabited country of two or three millions of people.

FIRST FRUIT.—MORAL AND SPIRITUAL GOOD. Teaching in the synagogues. Synagogue means "a place of assembling together," and corresponds to "church" in our day. The liberty of preaching was not ordinarily granted to any who were not versed in the lore of the rabbinical schools; but it was accorded to prophets and others who were recognized as leaders of new sects or representatives of new opinions, in order that they might not be condemned unheard. Hence the permission granted to Christ, and subsequently to his Apostles, to speak in the synagogues. Preaching the gospel (Good news) or story, good news) of the Kingdom. It was the good news of God's fatherly love and care, of his forgiveness of sin; of knowledge of the way of life, of the power of the Holy Spirit, of new light breaking over all the earth, and not for the Jews alone. Every doctrine and promise and hope of the Gospel was good news.

SECOND FRUIT.—AN INTELLECTUAL AWAKENING always follows a spiritual awakening. New spiritual life kindles new intellectual life. The more Gospel, the more intellectual life in the community.

THIRD FRUIT.—PHYSICAL AND WORLDLY BENEFITS. Healing all manner of sickness. In the Greek, as in the English, "sickness" implies a less serious form of suffering than "disease," as the "torments" of the next verse imply, in their turn, something more acute.

24. And his fame. The report of what he was doing, his reputation. Went throughout all Syria. The same passes to the north and east, rather than to the south. Galilee is connected by trade and affinity with Damascus, rather than with Jerusalem. And they brought unto him. In consequence of what they had heard of his works of healing. Torments. Diseases attended with excruciating pain. Demons which were possessed with devils. Demons. The difference between this and other diseases lay not so much in its symptoms as in its cause. There seems to have been certain moral and physical conditions in which demons obtained possession both of the body and of the mind, bringing disease upon the former, and insanity upon the latter. To the frequent objection, How comes it that similar possessions do not occur at the present day? it may be answered, How is it known that they do not occur even now? We cannot prove the negative. It cannot be said that in many cases of insanity and the like the mind was to be traced to the direct agency of demons. And those which were insidious. Epilepsy. Paralysis.

NOX (1) These were most difficult cases of disease to heal. (2) No natural causes can possibly explain these manifestations of Christ's power. (3) His miracles, were characteristically unlike the acts of a necromancer. He never shrouded them in mystery; he cured in his own name (Matt. 8: 3), in open day, and before all the people (Mark 3: 2-5; 9: 25), by a word (Mark 3: 5), a touch (Matt. 9: 29), a command (John 5: 8). (4) The miracles were, both in manner and in matter, worthy of the Son of God.

THE OBJECT OF THESE MIRACLES (1) They are the natural accompaniments of a divine being. (2) Hence they were proofs of his divine being. (3) They were signs, not of power, but of charity, but of the love, tenderness, pity, which were the true marks or "notes" of the kingdom of heaven.

FOURTH FRUIT.—GREAT NUMBERS OF FOLLOWERS. 25. And there followed him great multitudes. So intense was the sympathy and intensely attractive, was the interest which his appearance, character and works excited. Decapolis (ten cities). A region in the north-eastern part of Palestine, on the east and south-east of the Sea of Galilee, and so called because it contained ten cities.

HARBOR LIGHTS. Supper was just ended in Mr. Sampson's house. It had been a pleasant meal. Baby had cried for cake; Lenny had upset his mug of milk, and had been sharply reproved by his father; the room did not wear a cheerful look, as seen by the one burner of the chandelier, and Mr. Sampson sighed as he arose from the table.

"Why don't you have a fire in the grate, Jenny?" he asked, impatiently. "I thought it best not to make a stir," Mrs. Sampson replied. "The room is comfortable when the kitchen door is open." Mr. Sampson lit a cigar, and his remark, which had been intended as a "remonstrance" between whiffs of smoke, was not heard by his wife. He went out into the dark hall, and the street door soon closed in a manner that indicated the ruffled temper of the master of the house.

The table was cleared, and the children gathered around with books and toys. "Can't we have more light, mother?" asked Lenny. "The words are very small on this map." Mrs. Sampson replied by turning the burner slightly, and soon after left the room with little Harry. Her evenings were seldom spent with the children. Harry must be coaxing to sleep, and the somewhat lengthy process usually produced drowsiness, to which she yielded. She had not slept long, however, when the unusual noise of the door opened her. She heard Mary open the door, and recognized the voice that inquired for her.

"It is Uncle Otis! I wish Tom were at home," she said, as she hastily prepared to go to her visitor. Meanwhile, Captain Otis had followed the girl through the hall, lighted only by a glimmer that came from the half-opened door in the rear. The children had stopped their noisy game at the sound of the bell, but failed to recognize their visitor, for Captain Otis had not been a frequent guest at the house of his niece. He had scarcely time to notice the disorderly appearance of the room, before Mrs. Sampson entered. Her cordial greeting, and the light from an additional burner of the chandelier, failed to remove the cheerlessness that oppressed him.

Mrs. Sampson was not in, he was told; and it was not until the children had retired that he asked particularly for the father. "What keeps Tom out so late? He surely can't have business at this hour," he said. "He is at his club," replied Mrs. Sampson. "He is seldom at home in the evening." "Tom at a club!" repeated Captain Otis. "Why does he go to a club?" "I really can't say," replied Tom's wife. "He seems to enjoy it more than his home."

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"But, Uncle, I can't possibly keep awake in the evening; I am so exhausted, I usually fall asleep with a heavy eye." "And leave the children to spend the evening as they please, while Tom finds cheer elsewhere? You are making a mistake, niece; throw open your parlors every evening; keep the fire and the lights burning, and you'll be happier."

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