

International S. S. Lessons

PARABLE OF THE GREAT SUPPER.

12 April.

Les. Luke 14 : 15-24. Gol. Text, Luke 14 : 17.
Mem. vs. 21-23. Catechism, Q. 51.

What was the occasion of this parable ?

What is represented under the figure of the great supper ?

What invitation was sent to those who were bidden ?

How did those who were invited treat the invitation ?

What excuses did they give ?

What excuses like these do men now make for neglecting the gospel ?

Who were then invited ?

What final command was given to the servant ?

What did the Lord say to those who had despised his invitation ?

What important truths are taught by this parable ?

WHAT THE LESSON TEACHES.

1. Salvation is a heavenly feast prepared for earthly guests.
2. Many people reject the invitations of mercy, and refuse to come to the feast.
3. The excuses for not accepting Christ are only refusals put into polite words.
4. When some reject salvation the messengers are sent to others.
5. The worst sinners are invited to come to Christ and be saved.

THE LOST FOUND. 19 April.

Les. Luke 15 : 11-24. Gol. Text, Lu. 15 : 10.
Mem. vs. 18-20. Catechism Q. 55.

Who came in great numbers to hear Jesus ?

Of what did the Scribes and Pharisees complain ?

How did Jesus answer them ?

Describe the first parable.

The second.

What do these especially show ?

What is especially exhibited in the third parable ?

Who is represented by the father ?

The two sons ?

How did the younger son sin ?

Into what misery did it bring him ?

How did he show his repentance ?

How did the father welcome him ?

What must we do to be received by our heavenly Father ?

What is repentance unto life ?

WHAT THE LESSON TEACHES.

1. We can leave God if we will ; God does not compel us to stay.
2. Sin soon wastes our blessings and leaves us beggared.

3. The soul has hungers which this world has no power to satisfy.

4. The only thing to do is to repent and return to God,

5. The sinner who comes to God ' welcomed home and restored.

THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS.

26 April.

Les. Luke 16 : 19-31. Gol. Text, Lu. 16 : 13.
Mem. vs. 25-26. Catechism Q. 56.

What is the parable in to-day's lesson called ?

How is the rich man's condition described ? Lazarus' condition ?

What became of Lazarus at death ?

What of the rich man ?

What request did he make ?

What was Abraham's reply ?

What did the rich man then request ?

What answer did he receive ?

What do we learn about the condition of souls after death ?

About the sufficiency of revelation ?

WHAT THE LESSON TEACHES.

1. The wicked may prosper and the good suffer in this world.

2. In death each finds his own true place.

3. The condition beyond death depends on life here.

4. It is too late to crave mercy for one's self or friends after death.

5. The gospel has warning enough to lead men to believe.

FAITH. 3 May.

Les. Luke 17 : 5-19 Gol. Text, Luke 17 : 5.
Mem. vs. 17-19. Catechism Q. 57.

What did Jesus say about offenses ? vs. 1, 2.

What did He teach about forgiveness ? vs. 3, 4.

What did He say of the power of faith ?

Who met Him as He entered a certain village ?

What was their prayer ?

How did Jesus answer it ?

What followed ?

What did one of the lepers do when he saw that he was healed ?

Of what nation was he ?

What did Jesus say to him ?

How had his faith made him whole ?

WHAT THE LESSON TEACHES.

1. If we had stronger faith we could do greater things.

2. After we have done our best we must still depend on mercy.

3. As we obey Christ's commands blessing comes to us.

4. When we have been blessed we should show our gratitude.

5. Christ is grieved by the ingratitude of those he helps and blesses.- *Westminster Q. Bk.*