

Luke 9 : 49-62. Commit to memory vs. 55, 56.

GOLDEN TEXT—He that is not against you is for you.—Luke 9 : 50 (Rev. Ver.).

49 And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbade him, because he followeth not with us.

50 <sup>1</sup> And Je'sus said unto him, Forbid him not; for he that is not against <sup>2</sup> us is for us.

51 And it came to pass, when the <sup>3</sup> time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jeru'salem.

52 And sent messengers before his face; and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he <sup>4</sup> would go to Jeru'salem.

54 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we <sup>5</sup> command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, <sup>6</sup> even as Eli'as did?

55 But he turned, and rebuked them, <sup>7</sup> and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

56 <sup>8</sup> For the Son of man is not come to destroy

Revised Version—<sup>1</sup> But Jesus; <sup>2</sup> you is for you; <sup>3</sup> days were well-nigh come; <sup>4</sup> were going to; <sup>5</sup> bid fire; <sup>6</sup> Omit rest of verse; <sup>7</sup> Omit first clause of verse; <sup>8</sup> Omit five words; <sup>9</sup> Omit Lord; <sup>10</sup> The; <sup>11</sup> heaven; <sup>12</sup> But he said; <sup>13</sup> Leave the; <sup>14</sup> to bury; <sup>15</sup> own dead; <sup>16</sup> publish abroad; <sup>17</sup> first suffer me to bid farewell to them that are at my house.

#### LESSON PLAN

I. Two Rebukes of Intolerance, 49-56.

II. Three Kinds of Followers, 57-62.

#### DAILY READINGS

(By courtesy of I. B. R. Association)

M.—For or against, Luke 9 : 49-62. T.—Confession or denial, Luke 12 : 4-12. W.—"Almost", Acts 26 : 19-28. Th.—A wise decision, Josh. 24 : 14-22. F.—Willingly offered, 1 Chron. 29 : 9-13. S.—All for Christ, Matt. 19 : 23-30. S.—Our Intercessor, John 17 : 4-13.

Shorter Catechism—Review Questions 36-38.

The Question on Missions—12. What do they do when they leave school? The boys usually farm, the Indian Department helping by gift or loan, if they have been good at school. The girls go out to service,

men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

57 And <sup>9</sup> it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, <sup>9</sup> Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

58 And Je'sus said unto him, <sup>10</sup> Foxes have holes, and <sup>10</sup> birds of the <sup>11</sup> air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

60 <sup>12</sup> Je'sus said unto him, <sup>12</sup> Let the dead <sup>14</sup> bury their <sup>12</sup> dead; but go thou and <sup>16</sup> preach the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but <sup>17</sup> let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

62 <sup>1</sup> And Je'sus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

reside with their friends or marry. The Department also assists good girls to start housekeeping. A few graduates go into trades and professions.

Lesson Hymns—Book of Praise, 195 (Supplemental Lesson); 144; 447; 114 (Ps. Sel.); 252 (from PRIMARY QUARTERLY); 524.

Special Scripture Reading—Numbers 11 : 23-29. (To be read responsively or in concert by the whole School.)

Lantern Slides—For Lesson, S. P. 38, For Unto Us a Child Is Born. For Question on Missions, H. M. 737, The Indian Boy a Farmer; H. M. 738, Wedding Supper of Two Pupils of Indian Boarding School. (Slides are obtained from the Presbyterian Lantern Slide Department, Weston, Ont., at \$2.00 a dozen.)

Stereograph—For Lesson, From Mt. Ebal South Over Jacob's Well to Mt. Gerizim (Underwood & Underwood, see page 573).

## EXPOSITION

Time and Place—A.D. 26; on the way from Capernaum through Samaria toward Jerusalem.

Connecting Links—In Luke's narrative this Lesson immediately follows Lesson X.

### I. Two Rebukes of Intolerance, 49-56.

V. 49. *Answered*; not necessarily implying a previous question. John's saying was perhaps suggested by the "in My name" of v. 48. *Casting out devils*. Exorcism was a common practice among the Jews, Matt. 12 : 27. *In thy name*. Exorcists appealed to some higher authority in commanding the demons to depart; this unknown person found the name of Jesus more powerful than any other, Acts 19 : 13, 14. *Followeth not*; zealous loyalty, but narrow.

V. 50. *Not against . . . for us*; the complimentary truth found in Matt. 12 : 30. (Compare Phil. 1 : 18.)

Vs. 51, 52. *Time was come*; literally,

days were being completed"; Rev. Ver., "well-nigh come." *Received up*; to heaven, Acts 1 : 2. *Set his face*; resolute purpose, in spite of the knowledge of His fate and the remonstrances of His friends. *Messengers*; two or more of His disciples. *Before his face*; a Hebrew expression, "before his presence"; before He came Himself. *Village of the Samaritans*; near the border. Galileans going to the feasts at Jerusalem often passed through Samaria. *Make ready*; to find lodgings for the night.

Vs. 53, 54. *Did not receive*. The Greek implies immediate rejection. *Because . . . to Jerusalem*; a protest against the Jewish custom of visiting the temple at Jerusalem, John 4 : 20. *James and John*; in an outburst of temper. Perhaps they were the messengers; well called "sons of thunder", Mark 3 : 17. *Command fire*; to avenge the Samaritan insult. *Even as Elias did*; 2 Kgs. 1 : 10;