

## GOLDEN TEXT

They followed Jesus. John 1: 37.

## DAILY READINGS

M.—John 1: 35-42. } The first disci-  
T.—John 1: 43-51. } ples of Jesus.  
W.—Mark 1: 14-20. Prompt obedi-  
ence.  
Th.—Luke 9: 57-62. True follow-  
ing.  
F.—Luke 11: 25-33. Counting the  
cost.  
S.—Matt. 19: 23-30. The reward.  
S.—2 Tim. 4: 1-8. The follower's  
triumph.

## TIME AND PLACE

February, A.D. 27, just after the temptation. At Bethabara, on the banks of the Jordan.

## CATECHISM

Q. 5. Are there more Gods than one?

A. There is but One only, the living and true God.

Q. 6. How many persons are there in the Godhead?

A. There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

## LESSON PLAN

## I. Following Jesus, 33-37.

On the testimony of His forerunner.

## II. Dwelling with Jesus, 38, 39.

At His own gracious bidding.

## III. Bringing others to Jesus, 40-46.

Andrew brings Simon, his brother; Philip, Nathanael, his friend.

## LESSON HYMNS

210; 43 (Ps. Sel.); 142; 580; . 73.

## FOR FURTHER STUDY

**Juniors—35-37** Who was the forerunner of Christ? What was his first public proclamation concerning Christ? (vs. 29-34.) Who were Christ's first three disciples? Who the next two? The names of the two mentioned in v. 35? How did John speak of Christ? Why called "the Lamb of God"? What led the disciples to follow Jesus?

**38, 39** What did Jesus say? The disciples' question? How answered?

**40-42** To whom was Andrew related? Where was their home? (Mark 1: 21, 29.) What is the first thing that Andrew did? What does he say? To whom did he bring him? What does Jesus say? What does Peter's name mean? (See Matt. 16: 18.)

**43-46** Where was Galilee? Whom did Jesus there call? In what words? Whom does Philip seek? What does he say? What reply? What does Philip answer. To what will the "Come and see" lead us?

**Seniors—35-37** By what four names are the followers of Christ spoken of in the New Testament? (Matt. 10: 1; Acts 5: 14; Acts 9: 13; John 21: 23.) What name includes them all? (Acts 11: 26.) How did a lamb set forth Christ? (Ex. 12: 5; Rev. 5: 6.) What made Andrew and John disciples?

**38, 39** How does the Lord always welcome those who seek Him? (Isa. 55: 7; Matt. 11: 28.) By what different way was Paul brought? (Acts 9: 1-6.) In what way should we treat Christ's claims?

**40-42** Who was Andrew? Explain the name he applied to Christ? What was Andrew's great desire? What does the name "Peter" mean? How did he win the name Cephas? (Matt. 16: 15-18.)

**43-46** Why did Jesus return to Galilee? Who was Philip? Did Philip delay before telling others? Who

acted similarly? (John 4: 28, 29; Acts 9: 20.) What is meant by the "law"? By what prophets was Christ spoken of? (See margin of Bible.) To what did Nathanael object? On what ground? What is the true way to treat the invitation to Christ?

**Bible Side Lights—THE LAMB OF GOD—Ex. 12: 3; 12: 13; Isa. 53: 7; 1 Pet. 1: 17-21.**

**MASTER—Matt. 23: 8, 10; Eph. 6: 9; Matt. 10: 24, 25.**

**COME AND SEE—Mark 10: 14; John 5: 40; 6: 44; Ps. 34: 8.**

**FOLLOW ME—Matt. 16: 24; John 10: 27; 12: 26; Luke 9: 11.**

**Practical Points—1.** If our first attempt to direct others to Christ is not successful we should try again. (Compare vs. 29 and 36, 37.)

**2.** Jesus always turns to those who are seeking Him. He removes every difficulty and makes it easy to come. He earnestly invites all to come.

**3.** It will not do to accept our religion at second hand. Each must seek Christ for himself.

**4.** When we have found Christ we should tell the good news of salvation to others. Like Andrew, we should begin our mission work at home, but it should not end there.

**5.** A word spoken for Christ may be blessed with wonderful results, as witness Andrew's message to Simon.

**6.** Jesus reads the character of every individual. He knows us through and through.

**7.** Nathanael was a man without guile, but his guilelessness was not a "silly readiness to follow any body's leading without question, which has led so many to go astray." It was purity of heart.

## FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. What does "the Lamb of God" mean? .....

2. Name the first four disciples .....

3. Why should we invite others to Jesus? .....