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YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I. Timothy 4-12

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STUDIES IN THE GOSPEL OF ST. LUKE

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V. Outline in Gospel of St. Luke, Cont.

- A. Further study in the Period of His Judean Ministry.
 - 1. The Master teaches valuable lessons.
 - a. Kindness (Lu. 14:1-6). Healing of the sick man.
 - b. Humility (14:7-11). Take the humble position.
 - c. Hospitality (14:12-24).
 - 1. He illustrates with the parable of the Great Supper.
 - (a) Great hospitality on the part of God.
 - (b) Great indifference on the part of man.
 - 2. We should call the needy to the feast.
 - d. Cost of discipleship (14:25-33). Count the cost, deny self, forsake all, bear the cross, follow Christ.
 - 2. Discourse on the "Lost." Ch. 15. This is one of the most wonderful stories ever written. The entire chapter is sometimes noted as a parable with three parts, and it is also considered as "The Three Parables of Grace."
 - a. Parable of the "Lost Sheep."
 - (1) This shows what Christ went through to seek and save lost souls.
 - b. Parable of the "Lost Coin."
 - (1) This shows how faithful the Holy Spirit is in His work.
 - (2) It teaches the sinner what he must do to obtain salvation. Promptness is essential, sweeping and seeking are indispensable, and rejoicing is expected when he truly finds.
 - c. Parable of the "Lost Son."
 - (1) It shows the son departing from home, coming to his senses, and returning home.
 - (2) It shows the father loving, forgiving, receiving, bestowing, and reinstating.
 - (3) It teaches God's willingness to pardon.
 - (4) It is one of the most touching scenes in the Bible, and it cannot be equalled elsewhere.
 - 3. Discourse on Earthly Riches, ch. 16. a. The Unjust Steward, vs. 1-13.
 - (1) He was a steward in natural things, we are stewards of God's grace.
 - (2) He had to give an account of his stewardship, so have we.
 - (3) He was worldly wise. Are we wise spiritually?
 - (4) If the worldly wise handle their money carefully, when they have a view of but a few future years, should we not be more careful in the things of grace when we have eternity in view.
 - (5) When one has mammon at his disposal, he should use it to better serve God and man. Give to the cause of God and



receive spiritual blessing. If we are unfaithful with the unrighteous mammon, can we expect God to give us the true riches? Either God or mammon will be foremost in your souls.

- b. Pharisees, vs. 14-18.
 - (1) Those covetous men were highly displeased with Christ's words.
 - (2) Christ said, "That which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God."
- c. Rich man and Lazarus, vs. 19-31.
 - (1) In this life, the rich man received wealth (good things) and Lazarus poverty (evil things).
 - (2) In the life beyond Lazarus received his reward in eternal bliss, while the rich man received his punishment in eternal woe.
- 4. Healing of the Ten Lepers (17:11-19).
 - (a) Where were the nine that should have given thanks?
 - (b) Where are they today, even in our holiness churches?
- 5. The Widow before the Unjust Judge (18:1-8).
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 - (b) Men before God ought "always to pray and not to faint." "And shall not God avenge His own elect which cry day and night unto Him, though He bear long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily."
- 6. Two Men at Prayer in the Temple. (18:9-14).
 - (a) The Pharisee prayed with himself, stating his goodness to God.
 - (b) The Publican prayed to God acknowledging himself to be a sin-
 - (c) Which one received an answer to his prayer?
- 7. Zachaeus the Publican (19:1-10).
 - (a) Zachaeus; a lost sinner, seeking to see Jesus.
 - (b) Jesus, the Saviour, seeking and saving the lost.
 - (c) The longing and lost sinner met the loving and saving Christ, and a glorious transaction took place on the Jericho road.
 - (d) Have you met Him on the road of Lfe? Are you enjoying His salvation today?

Y. P. SOCIETY LETTERS

Greetings from the Saint John Y. P. S.:

Our Society was organized in 1932 and we are glad to report seven years of progress in spiritual things. DeVerne Mullen is our president at this time and he is proving himself a real leader in spiritual things both by precept and example.

Our meetings are instructive along holiness lines, and carry conviction to needy hearts. Bible study is specialized in. Each of the members takes turns in leading the meetings which are held every Thursday evening with a good average attendance, the large majority of whom are under twenty-five years of age.

Let us as young people trust in God and stand for the truth of Scriptural Holiness.

R. H. PARKS, (Reporter)

THE BIRTH OF THE MESSIAH

At His birth a star,

Unseen before in heaven, proclaims Him come; And guides the eastern sages, who inquire His place, to offer incense, myrrh, and gold; His place of birth a solemn angel tells To simple shepherds, keeping watch by night; They gladly thither haste, and by a quire Of squadroned angels hear his carol sung. A virgin in His mother, but His sire The Power of the Most High; He shall ascend The throne hereditary, and bound His reign With earth's wide bounds, His glory with the heavens.

-John Milton.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!!

To all our young people at home or at school, to our pastors and their wives, to the older members of our Christian fellowship, and to all the friends of our young people's work, and readers of our Young People's page, we extend sincere (a) She stated her case and impor- and hearty wishes for a Happy Yuletide Season! tuned until he undertook in her Let us be glad and rejoice, for "Unto us is born this day . . . a Saviour which is Christ the Lord!"

HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS

Almighty Framer of the skies, Oh, let our pure devotion rise Like incense in Thy sight! Wrapt in impenetrable shade, The texture of our souls was made, Till Thy command gave light.

The sun of glory gleam'd, the ray Refined the darkness into day, And bid the vapours fly: Impell'd by His eternal love, He left His palaces above To cheer our gloomy sky.

How shall we celebrate the day When God appeared in mortal clay; The mark of worldly scorn. When the archangel's heavenly lays Attempted the Redeemer's praise, And hail'd salvation's morn?

A humble form the Godhead wore, The pains of poverty He bore, To gaudy pomp unknown: Though in a human walk He trod,