

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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LESSON III.

III. Gospel of St. Luke in Outline for Study:

A. Preface (Lu. 1:1-4)—

1. "Luke counts himself, not among the eyewitnesses, but among those to whom the eyewitnesses had reported the deeds and words of Jesus."

2. He carefully related his account in an orderly manner.

B. Period of Infancy of Christ (Lu. 1:5-2:40).

1. Announcement of Zacharias to Mary. 1:26-38.

2. Visit of Mary to Elizabeth. 1:39-56.

3. Birth of Jesus. 2:1-7.

4. Announcement to shepherds. 2:8-20.

5. Presentation in the temple. 2:22-38.

6. Residence in Nazareth. 2:39-40.

C. View of the Boyhood of Jesus (2:41-52).

1. This is a choice selection of Scripture. It is the only time from Christ's infancy, until He began His ministry that we have that period of silence broken.

2. Note facts concerning this picture.

(a) Parents on their annual visit to Passover at Jerusalem.

(1) Jesus, who is now twelve years of age, went with them.

(2) Jesus sat in the midst of the doctors, astonishing them with His spiritual understanding.

(b) Parents on their return trip.

(1) Journeyed one day before they discovered Christ was not in the company.

(2) Spent three days seeking before they found Him.

He was found where they left Him.

He was found at the end of retraced steps.

He was found in the Temple, the place of religious worship and instruction.

(c) Their seeking was rewarded in a most wonderful manner.

(1) They saw Him.

(2) They heard Him speak.

(3) He went with them.

(d) There is surely a lesson here.

(1) Christian, don't make a day's journey without Him.

(2) Backslider, don't be content until you find Him again.

D. Period of Preparation. (3:1-4:13).

I. Ministry of John (3:1-20).

(a) He preached repentance.

(b) He prepared the way of the Lord.

(c) He won souls.

(d) He baptized those who gave evidence of changed lives.

(e) He stirred opposition by his true stand.

2. Baptism of Jesus (3:21-22).

This was fully dealt with in your study of Matthew.

3. Genealogy of Jesus. (3:23-38).

We noted in our introduction how Luke traces the lineage from Christ to Adam and God.

4. Temptation of Jesus. 4:1-13.

(a) This also was dealt with in the studies of Matthew.

(b) Let us notice a few things about temptation.

1. No one is exempted.

Common to man.

Even Christ was tempted.

2. Nature of Temptation.

Appeal to appetite.

Appeal to mind with presumption rather than faith.

Appeal to spirit of worship in a false way.

3. How did Christ meet temptation.

With a holy character.

With a faith in God.

With a righteous life.

With an uncompromising spirit.

With the Holy Spirit.

With the Holy Word.

SOCIETY LETTERS

DEAR FRIENDS:

We are glad to report the organization of a Young People's Society in this part of God's vineyard, which took place on Sept. 15th in the Hartland church.

Victoria Corner and Hartland young people organized together with a membership of twenty-one, services to be held alternately between the two churches.

Officers elected were as follows:

President—Claudia McMullen.

Vice-president—Mabelle Haywood.

Secretary—Edris Farnham.

Assistant Secretary—Evelyn Orser.

Treasurer—Vernon Mullen.

Self-Denial Secretary—Arlo Farnham.

Highway Reporter—Evelyn Orser.

Organist—Glenna Hillman.

Pray for us, that we may hold the blood-stained banner high, and that our little society may be used for His honour and glory.

Yours in Christian fellowship,

EVELYN ORSER,

Highway Reporter

FAITH AND SIGHT

If we could see beyond today

As God can see;

If all the clouds should roll away,

The shadows flee.

O'er present griefs we would not fret,

Each sorrow we would soon forget,

For many joys are waiting yet

For you and me.

If we could know beyond today

As God doth know.

Why dearest treasures pass away

And tears must flow;

And why the darkness leads to light,

Why dreary paths will soon grow bright;

Some day life's wrongs will be made right

Faith tells us so.

"If we could see, if we could know"

We often say,

But God in love a veil doth throw

Across our way;

We cannot see what lies before

And so we cling to Him the more,

He leads us till this life is o'er;

Trust and obey."

FOREBODING

While I am rocking you, my son,

And singing lullabies,

Someone is planning planes

For death to ride the skies.

While I am dressing you, my son,

In little boyish suits,

Someone is making uniforms

And sturdy soldier boots.

While you are chasing butterflies

Amid the tangled grass,

Someone is testing chemicals

To make a deadlier gas.

And while you eat your simple fare

Perhaps the warlords sit,

To start again the bugle notes

That only call the fit.

While I would build a splendid man,

So fine, so strong, my son,

Someone in secret tries to make

A farther-reaching gun.

A gun that on some distant day,

When drums of battle roll,

May leave me with a golden star,

And iron in my soul.

—Mabel Freer Leveridge in Epic News

WANTING RECOGNITION

A story is told of a man in a back pew of a church who was seen from the pulpit with his hat on. The minister beckoned to a deacon, who went to the man and asked if he was aware that his hat was on. "Thank God," said the man, "I thought that would do it. I have attended this church for six months, and you are the first one who has spoken to me!" The early church had learned love and brotherliness, hence their numbers increased.

Let the slogan of Sunnyside church be that of a church with a warm welcome and a homelike atmosphere and where cliques are unknown.

HOW THEY KNOW!

Positive knowledge have I none,

But my aunt's washerwoman's son

Heard a policeman on his beat

Say to a laborer on the street,

That he had a letter just last week,

All written in the finest Greek,

From a Chinese coolie in Timbucto

Who said that a son in Cuba knew,

A colored gent in a Texas town

Who got it right from a circus clown

That this bit of gossip must be true,

That someone started all on you!

"But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."