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LESSON FOR OCTOBER 15

THE MINISTRY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

LESSON TEXT—Luke 3:1-22.

GOLDEN TEXT—Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.—Matt. 3:2.

REFERENCE MATERIAL—Matt. 11:2-19; Phil. 2:5-11.

PRIMARY TOPIC—What John Said About Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—John Preaching and Baptizing.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Fearless Reformer.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Repentance: What It Is and What It Does.

I. The Degeneracy of the Times (vv. 1, 2).

The Jews had sunk to a very low level of civil, moral and religious life. Luke carefully enumerates the civil and religious rulers in order to show the profligacy of the times, and therefore the need of a messenger to call the people back to God and virtue. Herod, the son of the Great, was a murderer. Annas and Caiaphas were corrupt ecclesiastical rulers.

II. The Nature of John's Ministry (vv. 3-6).

In the wilderness he underwent a discipline which fitted him for his task. Out of the wilderness he flashed forth preaching the baptism of repentence for the remission of sins (v. 3). This ministry is declared to be a fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy. The message was described as one calling upon the nation to prepare for the coming of the Messiah. This preparation was presented under the figure of a monarch of the East about to make a journey. A servant was sent before to prepare the highway. Valleys needed to be filled, mountains and hills needed to be lowered, crooked places needed to be made straight and rough places needed to be made smooth. Today before the nations will receive Christ the valleys need to be filled with righteous deeds, the exceeding high mountains of sin and iniquity need to be brought low, the crooked dealings of the business world must be straightened out, and the rough ways of nations and individuals must be smoothed out. Men must repent of their sins before they can receive Christ.

III. The Content of John's Message (vv. 7-18).

1. Denunciation of Sin (vv. 7, 8). He called them "a generation of vipers." This shows that he charged them with deceitfulness and wickedness. Knowing the subtle hypocrisy of these Jews, he demanded evidence of their sincerity—the genuineness of their repentance was to be demonstrated by their works.

2. Announcement of Judgment (v. 9). He declared that the axe was laid at the root of the tree and that the tree not bringing forth fruit was to be hewn down and cast into the fire. John made it very plain that for their sins they should be called into judgment. Paul's preaching of a judgment to come made Felix tremble (Acts 24:25).

3. Instructions to the Inquirers (vv. 10-14). (1) The people (vv. 10, 11). Each man was to turn from his besetting sin and show love and kindness to his fellow men. Clothing and food were to be given those who had need. They were to turn from a life of selfishness and greed and do unto others as they would be done by. (2) Publicans (vv. 12, 13). These taxgatherers who were guilty of greed and oppression were not asked to give up their occupation, but to exact only that which was appointed by law. (3) The soldiers (v. 14). These were likely the policemen of that day—at least men on military duty. He told them to extort money from no man, to accuse none falsely, and to be content with their wages. To all these classes he made it clear that they should henceforth perform their duty from a motive of love instead of selfishness and greed.

4. Testimony to Jesus (vv. 15-18). The people were musing in their hearts as to whether John was indeed the Messiah. When John perceived this he with fine humility declared that his mission was so lowly in comparison with Christ's that he would be unworthy to perform the menial act of a slave in loosing the latchet of His shoes. John baptized with water, but Christ, he declared, would baptize with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

IV. John's Imprisonment (vv. 19, 20).

Because of his reproof of Herod for his wicked lewdness and other sins John went to the dungeon. The preacher of righteousness must become a martyr. God's faithful prophets are usually despised by the world, even cast into prison, burned, or beheaded.

Idleness.

Idleness is the gate of all harms. An idle man is like a house that hath no walls; the devils may enter on every side.—Chaucer.

Life's Ills.

Think of the ills from which you are exempt, and it will aid you to bear patiently those which now you may suffer.—Cecil.

To Learn to Pray.

A Thief At Large In Maryland

A thief is now operating in several counties of Maryland that has one of the most unique criminal careers in the annals of crime. This pilferer, so history informs us, first began operations in the State of Ohio about 1833. Possessing more energy than conscience it widened its field of operation until it is now carrying on its nefarious practice in every state of the Union.

One striking feature of this criminal is that it possesses no means of locomotion. It depends entirely on those whom it would rob to carry or permit it to be brough to their premises. Is not it almost unbelievable that a thief so handicapped an after 90 years of operation should still be permitted by the farmers to steal their property?

An investigation of this arch enemy of the farmers and and stock raisers has shown it to be Mr. Hog Cholera Germ and it is really most interesting how in spite of its helplessness, it manages to get around over the country and continue its plundering.

One of its favorite methods of getting to the hog pens is by hiding in a bone, rind or a scrap of pork. This is thrown into a swill pail or garbage barrel and fed to hogs. After being eaten by the hogs, the balance is easy, for once in the animal it begins to multiply and after the hog is sick, it throws off the infection to the other swine in the herd.

Another sucessful mode employed for getting to free premises is to have a farmer purchase a hog which is already sick or came from a place where hog cholera existed.

After it once gets into a neighborhood it depends on the carelessness of the farmers to permit him to get to other farms. Nothing suits it better than to have a farmer hide the fact that his hogs are sick. Another bit of thoughtlessness that works to its benefit is for a farmer to throw out the carcass of a hog for the buzzards or dogs to dispose of. He finds both these will help him to get around to other farms.

A continual search is being made for this criminal and should you learn of any sick hogs promptly report the fact to your County Agent or the U. S. Specialist of Hog Cholera in your district.

VERNON

The revival will be continued at Bethel Church as there have been a large number of conversions.

Mrs. Bringhurst of Felton, recently made a temperance address at Rice's school, the occasion being Francis E. Willard's birthday.

Mrs. Romulus Hopkins of Dover, will spend a week here with all her relatives.

Friends here are glad Mr. Ora app is somewhat improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ross. attended the Anniversary at Barratt's Chapel, after which the latter was entertained over night by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Warrington of Felton.

Friends here are glad to learn that Miss Dalma Quillen is somewhat improved since breaking her hip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Ross, the Mesdames Price and Travis, and James Tatman attended the Barratt's Anniversary.

Mr. Ray of Wilmington, gave a beautiful patriotic poem and talk to the children of Rice's School as he said the teacher Mrs. Ross and the children presented such a happy looking picture while playing a game at recess. He is one of the superintendents of the State Highway Commission.

Mrs. Thomas Clancy and family, have returned home in New York, after having spent a month with relatives here and in the Catskill mountains.

Mesdames W. S. Smith, G. R. Ross, W. F. Turner, R. Triedel and Satterfield, motored to Felton and Viola to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Smith, have visited Trenton, N. J.

Mr. Thomas Clancy has returned from a visit with relatives in Delaware, and friends in Vermont.

Miss Della Melvin, and brother Homer have returned home from a visit with relatives in New Market.

Mr. Anstine Stafford and Mr. G. R. Ross and families have been visitors at Seaford and Denton.

Mr. Henry Purnell, who formerly resided here but now near Law's Church, has purchased a home in Frederica.

Mrs. McCloskey and Mrs. Moore, will return to New Jersey, to live so that Mr. McCloskey may go to his work in Philadelphia, and return from it. He has been there for some time.

The stork has visited Mr. and Mrs. Mable Vincent Warren, of Marcus Hook, and left them a fine youngster. Both mother and child are doing well. Congratulations are extended.

Mrs. Grace Hammond has returned from a several days visit with Mrs. May Andrews.

Mesdames A. L. Harrington, James Masten, Charles Andrews, R. W. Ross and husband have been Milford visitors.

There is a very large apple crop on.

Miss Paskey is the new teacher at Potash.

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Richard Lloyd Jones tells How To Play The Game

IN the closing game of a minor league two teams were contesting for the pennant. The bleachers were crowded with rival fans. The score was 5 to 4. The team at bats was four. The last half of the 9th inning was in play. There were two out, three men on bases, their best batter up.

He found the ball and sent it far afield. The race of the bases started. The left fielder ran desperately to get the ball. He met it in the tall grass close to the far fence as the batter was on his way home, the three base runners before him.

Into the tall grass the ball and the fielder fell. The grandstand rose; a hush held them. "Did he catch it?" was the thought on thousands of tongues. Out from the tall grass into which he had stumbled the fielder rose, holding high the ball. A mighty cheer arose. The four runners had touched home plate without a score. The fielder who held the ball had given his team the pennant. The cheers continued, wave after wave of cheers,—until,—the fielder lowered his hand that held the ball and raised the other hand in protest, dropped his head with humiliation and shook it "no."

At once the thousand eyes upon him read the sign. The ball fell to earth, not into his hands. In his race in the high grass he had stumbled where instantly he could put his hand upon it. No one but himself and his God saw it.

One never-to-be-detected falsehood would give his team the victory for which through all the long hot summer they had battled. Temptation spurred him but in the nobler sober second thought, conscience triumphed and HE PLAYED THE GAME ON THE SQUARE.

Victory was turned into defeat. But only for the moment. The hush that came over the grandstand, as they comprehended the act, first broke into cheers for the real winners,—and then,—the finer conscience and the true sportsmanship that the player had expressed possessed his disappointed rooters. They found that VICTORY was not wrapped up in the pennant. The pennant at best was but a rag of a thing. The real victory was in playing the game on the square. And both the contending fans broke out in a cheer such as few diamond heroes have ever heard.

The fielder came in, and as he came his head lifted from its depressed pose and he faced the throng,—THEIR HERO.

The great American game is a builder of men. It is not the exhibition games that count the most. It is the game that is staged in the school ground and in the vacant lot that serves us best. The real game is played on the diamond that is not encircled by banner-bearing bleachers. The real game is played not on fields where all eyes may see. The real game is played in the far out field, in the uncut grass where ball and player meet unseen.

He who can find victory there has learned the lesson of life that the great American game has to teach. He is the player who is a MAN.

Poem by UNCLE JOHN

The dreamy eyes that used to haunt me, have ceased to thrill my time-worn heart; no optic artist now can daunt me, no matter how she acts the part. I've lost the keen appreciation that lurks within the youthful breast; I still have spells of palpitation, but that's because I don't digest.

PAST THE HEY-DAY

I hate to own that I'm a cynic,—that I have old and crusty grown, but I can pass the eye-brow clinic, the same as if I'd turned to stone. There's nothing to the pensive languish that Maude turns on at sweet sixteen,—and still, it used to cause me anguish, when I was callow, fresh, and green. I've reached the age of sere and yellow; I've grown to be a sort of crank. You know the years will gird a fellow like iron hoops around a tank. I envy not the mushy youngster that flounders in romantic stage. I'd rather be a whiskered songster, and smear my dope on printed page.

Yours Uncle John.

HOMEY PHILOSOPHY for 1922

IF industry is to be revived, we need the alien mob to work the mines, and do the rest of the toil that must be done. Therefore we should let the aliens in." "If we want the wheels of prosperity to turn, we should keep the American workman free from competition from Europe. Therefore we should keep aliens out." "If happiness is to come to the land we must seek an educated citizenship. Therefore we should have a strict educational test for the alien." "If we want peace on earth, we should safeguard our shore against intrusion from cunning agitators found among these highly educated but destitute foreigners. Therefore we should admit only workers who are built for work." Try these recipes for political speeches from your cart tail. Any one of them will get a round of applause. You can always fool the fellow who knows only "We, Us & Company" and never thinks of You.

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HOBBS

Mr. and Mrs. William Stafford and children, Margaret and Evelyn Kathleen were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Stafford's parents Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen of West Denton.

Mr. Emmett Ward and sister Miss Emma were Sunday visitors of Hobbs friends on Sunday last.

Miss Vergie Cooper was a Seaford visitor on Sunday last.

Mr. W. H. Willey, is having his house improved by having it painted Clinton Neal of Burrsville is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Stafford had as their guest on Sunday last Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, and children of near Denton, Miss Olevia Smith and her friend of Burrsville.

Mr. Herbert Trice and daughters, Eloise and Mildred of Easton were Sunday visitors of Mr. Trice's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Trice.

Mr. Carlton Cooper of Bethlehem, was a visitor on Monday at the home of his sister Mrs. Roy Hill.

Mrs. Alston Long of near Henderson was the guest of her mother Mrs. Sarah Davis on Tuesday.

Miss Ella Pearsaul, of Ridgely was a week end visitor of Miss Esther Willey.

Miss Bessie Kitchen of Marcus Hook, Pa., spent a part of the past week with her sister Mrs. William Stafford.

Mrs. Joseph Andrews and children Raymond, Ruth, and Mildred of near Harmony were the guest of Mrs. Fletcher Stafford on Thursday last.

SMITHVILLE

Revival services are now in progress at Bloomery M. E. Church.

Farmers are very busy preparing their ground for wheat seeding.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Williamson received as their guest, Sunday, Mr. Preston Stout and father, of New Jersey, Mr. and Mrs. Lord of Federalsburg, Mr. John Bullock of Cannons, Del., Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Davis, of Smithville.

Mr. George Moore has just recently had the misfortune of having a paralytic stroke which left him so he can talk but very little.

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Mr. John Elrick is expecting to put up a good pack of pears, which he has already begun.

Sweet potato crops here are very good but the demand, very light, especially the price is very l