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LESSON FOR MAY 13

DAVID, THE POET-KING

LESSON TEXT—I Sam. 16:1-3.

GOLDEN TEXT—Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.—Ps. 23:6.

REFERENCE MATERIAL—Ps. 51; Isa. 9:7; Jer. 33:15-26; Luke 1:32; Acts 22:29-34.

PRIMARY TOPIC—The Shepherd Boy Chosen King.

JUNIOR TOPIC—God Calls a Boy to Be King.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—David, as a Friend.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Lessons From the Life of David.

I. Samuel Mourns for Saul (v. 1).

1. Why He Mourned. The death of Saul was no doubt a personal loss to Samuel, for Saul was a commanding and lovable personality. Then, too, the ruin of so promising a career would deeply affect a soul like Samuel. Finally the humiliation to God and God's people grieved his heart.

2. Excessive Mourning Rebuked. The fact that God had rejected Saul should have lifted Samuel out of his grief. Excessive grief over that which God does is a reflection upon Him and should be rebuked. In all God's acts we should submit although it may change our plans. When sorrow becomes a hindrance to the discharge of duty, it merits rebuke.

II. Samuel Sent to Anoint David (vv. 1-3).

1. Samuel's Fear (v. 2). Perhaps by this time Saul was becoming a desperate character. Samuel knew that if Saul should hear that he was taking steps to anoint a successor to his throne, his own life would be in danger. Samuel was wise in submitting this difficult situation to the Lord. God's servants are to be brave. But even when going on errands for God we should not court danger. We should exercise the greatest caution so that unnecessary dangers be avoided.

2. The Lord's Direction (vv. 2, 3). The Lord smoothed the way for Samuel. He showed him how to perform his duty and escape the danger. Samuel was to take a heifer and announce that he was going to offer a sacrifice unto the Lord and to call Jesse to the sacrifice. The prophet was not told all that would happen. This is usually God's way with us. He gives us our work piece by piece and guides us step by step. Samuel's purpose was known only to him. It was to be kept a secret so that the news would not reach Saul. This was a shrewd device but entirely legitimate. There is not necessity for us to reveal all our purposes.

III. Samuel's Obedience (vv. 4-13).

1. The Trembling Elders of Bethlehem (vv. 4, 5). It seems that the whole nation was shot through with fear because of Saul's sin. To the elders' alarming inquiry Samuel responded with the assurance of peace, inviting them to join him in worshiping the Lord.

2. Examination of Jesse's Sons (vv. 6-12). The Lord had revealed to Samuel that one of Jesse's sons was to be the new king, but not the particular one. The selection of the right one was a most important matter as destinies hung upon it. (1) Eliab rejected (vv. 6, 7). Eliab was the eldest son and therefore he was the first presented as having first right to the place of honor. Further, he was a splendid specimen of a man, tall and majestic in appearance so that even Samuel was captivated by him as he had been by Saul. (10:24). Outward appearance was favorable but the realities seen by God were against him. God knows whom He can trust with great responsibilities. We frequently estimate men by their dress, culture, wealth and position. These are only surface manifestations and frequently lead us astray, but God looks into the heart. (2) David chosen (vv. 8-12). All but one of Jesse's sons had been looked upon but still the Lord's choice had not appeared. Jesse's reply to Samuel's question as to whether all his children had appeared seems to imply that David was not of much importance. He was considered good enough to watch the sheep but not important enough to be called to the feast. Because David was faithful as a shepherd boy, he was in line for promotion when God's given time arrived.

3. David Anointed (v. 13). When the shepherd lad appeared, the Lord directed Samuel to anoint him. When the oil was applied the Spirit of the Lord came upon him. David was a gifted and attractive lad but this was of no avail without the Spirit of God. Power must come from God. Only as we are anointed by the Holy Ghost can we truly do the Lord's will and work.

Knowing When.

Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity, the most important thing in life is to know when to forego an advantage.—Disraeli.

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BINGLE AND BUNGLE

The Puckertown Philosophers

By C. DURANT JONES

"Did you see what happened to old man Stokes the other day?" asked Ted Bingle, as he met Mike Bungle at the Hookworm Club.

"No, tell me about it, Ted," said Mike.

"Well, you know how he has always knocked on everything that looked like a modern improvement. When he lived on the farm 'most a hundred years ago, he wouldn't shovel his corn out of the wagon with a scoop shovel. Said it was a lazy man's tool and he threw it out by hand. When other folks were buying top buggies, he said that they were just a fad of the rich and he rode in his old lumber wagon. When he moved to town he kicked on the bonds for the water works. Said that it was because people were too lazy to pump. He kicked on building the sidewalks. Said the folks were getting too stuck up to walk on the ground the Almighty gave them. He kicked when they put in the sewer system. Said that when he was a boy they did not have such things and that they didn't need 'em now. When they were voting for electric light, he kicked again. Said that it was a useless tax and that kerosene lamps were good enough for anybody. When they tried to vote bonds for building good county roads, he kicked and said that it was just a scheme of the joy riders to get roads built at public expense, for them to joy-ride on. When the automobiles came in fashion, Old Stokes nearly had a fit. Said they was an institution of the devil and that they would bankrupt the country. Said he wouldn't have one if they gave it to him. But he is cured now, at least of one sin. The other day an old friend of his out in the old home neighborhood died, and Stokes went out to the funeral, the first he had been to in ten years out there. He drove his horse and when he got there, he found that everything was autos, even to the hearse. As he drove a horse rig, he had to stay at the tail end of the procession, and in fact he didn't get to the graveyard in time for the ceremonies. It made him mad and he said that when a live man like him couldn't keep up with a corpse, it was time to change, and he bought him a flivver and he is out trying to break it in every day now."

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