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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MAY 6

JESUS THE SERVANT OF ALL.

LESSON TEXT—John 13:1-15.
GOLDEN TEXT—And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.—Mk. 10:44.

This lesson is really a continuation of the latter part of the lesson of last week, for the glory of Jesus is his unselfishness whereby he wrought out redemption for mankind.

I. Selfishness Amid Holy Surroundings (vv. 1-11). The world does not appreciate Jesus. It never has. "His own," the Jews, did not appreciate him. We are considering him today as he was about to depart from the world that had despised and rejected him to one that appreciated him (Heb. 1:6). The development, Verse 2 tells of the Satanic suggestion that came to the heart of Judas. In it was personal desire, and, connected with it, human conspiracy. The coming to this upper room has been pointed out by a man bearing a pitcher (Mk. 14:12-16), the pitcher being suggestive of the Holy Spirit which was about to come in the place of the visible Christ, and it is in the midst of such sacred surroundings as this that Satan enters the hearts of students. This is a suggestion as to the power of environment. Environment is an aid, but it does not produce effective safety. No moment is too holy for Satanic suggestion. Jesus knew that the hour was come when he was to depart out of the world. "Having loved his own, he loved them to the end." Even though the Father had given all things into his hands, still it was necessary for him to reach the disciples once more, and finally, the lesson of humility. He knew and remembered the strife among the disciples (Luke 22:24-28). Doctor Bonard's famous dream, analyzing zeal as being made up of ambition, pride and elements other than the love of God is worthy of consideration in this connection. We need to realize the danger of selfishness even in our service for God. Have we examined our motives? If the consequences of our superiority, either of rank or ability, tempts us to shirk the lowliest of services, it is true for God's children to recall this scene, and remember that "the servant is not greater than his Lord." Peter's strong protest (v. 8) brings out the fact that the washing by Christ of the disciples' feet was deeper than merely the outward application of water (See Rom. 8:9).

II. Service, the Evidence of Divine Humility (vv. 12-15). (1) This service was tender. Jesus had all things (v. 3), yet he became the servant of all. (2) It was for all. All needed a washing. All the disciples needed to learn, and all servants must learn, to obey. (3) It signified sanctification. We are saved once for all, but we are constantly being stained by our contact with sin in the world; hence the need of renewed cleansing. New light reveals new need of cleansing. (4) It signified deity. Jesus read the thoughts of his disciples. He became their servant that in years to come they might know the meaning of service. He became their example, and in years to come they remembered his knowledge and service. (5) It was for "his own." The disciples did not know what it was he had done to them. Little do we understand oftentimes what it is the Lord has done to us. Jesus set them an example whereby he would remove the dirt of crime, self-seeking and every manifestation of selfishness from their sin-stained souls. We may call Jesus Lord and Master, and it is well that we do so, for Master and Lord he is indeed, but, if we call him so, let us not do aught than make him in our lives what we call him with our lips. The idea here emphasized has given rise to much religious literature. "The Imitation of Christ" by Thomas à Kempis, is the most popular book in the world next to the Bible.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you" (v. 16). This introduction shows how important Christ considered his teaching at this point. "The servant is not greater than his Lord" (See Matt. 10:24; Luke 6:40; 22:27). If the Lord bent to this lowly service, certainly they, the servants, should not think it beneath them to do likewise, nor should the one that is sent (an apostle) consider himself greater than he that sent him. John, who wrote this epistle, was one of the apostles guilty of an unholy strife for power and position, and desirous of bringing fire down upon those who did not acknowledge and follow Jesus, but he became a marvel of love and tenderness. Knowing and doing are the twin pillars of the Christian faith upon which the house of happiness is built. Such service is not egotistical.

It is this that has proved the superiority of Christianity over all the religions of the world. If we seek to do service for others, then we have the right to call Jesus Master and Lord, but if we seek honor rather, than to be humbly useful, we shall have no right to call him thus. This instance made a deep impression upon Peter, as can be seen from the striking illusion in his first epistle (1 Pet. 5:5 B. V.).

LIBRARY LISTS IN-TERESTING BOOKS

Books for Children as Well as the Grown-ups Placed in Circulation at Library This Week

A quantity of new books have been received at the Alliance Public Library and are now ready for circulation, according to an announcement made yesterday by Mrs. Nellie Wilson, librarian. The new juvenile books are all regulation "two-weeks" books, while the others are "seven-day" books.

There is one feature of the library work that perhaps you are not familiar with, and that is the weekly story telling hour for children. Every Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, his period is held and it is now becoming a weekly event in the lives of many of the little folk.

The following is the list of new books at the public library ready for your perusal:
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Rhymes of the Red Cross Man—Robt. W. Service.
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Rolling Stones—O. Henry.
Sixes and Sevens—O. Henry.
Genevieve—Laura Spencer Porter.
Brown Mouse—Herbert Quick.
Misalliance—Bernard Shaw.
Slaves of Freedom—Comingsby Dawson.
Peer Gynt—Henrik Ibsen.

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HENRY SAFFORD KILLS HIMSELF

Former Alliance Man Takes Life in Fit of Temporary Insanity, Shot Through the Heart

(Set for last week)
Henry Safford, a well known farmer living five miles southwest of Scottsbluff, killed himself late Sunday afternoon during a spell of temporary insanity. His body was found between six and seven o'clock Monday morning in a brush thicket on the banks of the Platte river, a half mile from his home. He leaves a wife and other relatives. The funeral services were held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Safford's mother, Mrs. Jennie Broshar, in Scottsbluff.

It appears that Mr. Safford was at home Sunday alone, his wife coming to the city to visit her mother, Mrs. Jennie Broshar, and remained here until about 6:30 o'clock, when she went home. A few minutes after she arrived there she found a letter on the table. The letter informed her that her husband contemplated killing himself, and told her that she need not look for him. She immediately telephoned to her folks in Scottsbluff, and they immediately went to her assistance. The sheriff was also notified. Accompanied by a posse he went to the home to begin the search. All night long the sheriff, assisted by a number of citizens and neighbors, continued the search for the missing

man. Monday morning his body was found on an island in the river south of his home.

It seems that he took a single-barrel shotgun, and tying one end of a string to his foot and the other end to the trigger, held the gun to his left breast and pulled the string. The full charge of the gun entered his breast in such manner as to cause instant death.

He was about 45 years old and was married some ten years ago. He is considered in very fair circumstances, but has of late been despondent, seeming to think at times that his life has been a failure, although he has been a successful feeder of stock in this vicinity for the last four years. He had been doing a good business, and was considered one of the substantial feeders of the valley.

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