

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR JULY 20

MOSES CALLED TO DELIVER ISRAEL.

LESSON TEXT—Ex. 3:1-14. Read the entire chapter.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8.

Last week we learned that Moses had a vision of a great need: In today's lesson there is revealed to Moses the other half of the lesson, viz., One who could meet that need; One who could supply all that was lacking when Moses made his first ill-advised attempt to free his kinsmen.

Bush and Voice.

I. The Manner of Moses' Call. His call came in the midst of his labor as a shepherd. God does not set a premium upon idleness and his greatest revelation came through two very common agencies, a bush and a voice. There were probably many other such bushes on the back side of the desert, but this one is distinguished by the presence of Jehovah. Moses turned aside to see this "great sight." Why was it not consumed? Because it was divinely lighted. Having secured his attention Jehovah spoke to Moses, called to him out of the midst of the bush. When men pause in the faithful discharge of the common tasks of life and consider God it will not be long before they will hear his still, small voice. God's call is never to the idler and is generally through the common agencies and experiences of life. The time is ripe for deliverance. God had tested Moses for forty years. Now God is ready to reveal himself here upon Horeb, the mountain of God. Jehovah's presence is symbolized by the fire (see chapter 13:21, 22 and 19:18). The lowly bush suggests the incarnation. In Jesus humanity was on fire with the presence of God, yet was not consumed.

II. The Purpose of Moses' Call. This was two-fold: (a) Deliverance from sorrow, oppression and the task masters of Egypt (type of sin) vv. 9, 10, 17. (b) Deliverance to freedom, a better land, to service, worship and riches, vv. 8, 12, 21, 22. Moses made ready response to the voice of God, saying, "Here-am I" (v. 4). He had not grown cold and cynical during his shepherd days, but rather was more keen and teachable. He had, however, another lesson to learn, viz., the majesty and holiness of God. So it was he is halted and commanded to remove his shoes (v. 5). The Christian can draw nigh with boldness (Heb. 10:19) but he must remember to do so with "reverence and awe" (Heb. 12:28, 29).

God's Answer.

III. The Credentials That Accompanied Moses' Call. As has been suggested, this call came by means of two very common agencies, viz., a bush and a voice. While Moses no longer depends upon his own strength yet he lacks that assurance and those credentials that will justify, in his own sight, a return to the court of Pharaoh. "Who am I that I should go?" God's answer is, "Certainly I will be with thee." Moses need have no fear, nor need the Christian (Matt. 28:30). "If God be for us who can be against us?" Our commission which is from God is certain of ultimate success. There could be no possibility of failure for Moses is told that when deliverance is accomplished "ye shall serve God upon this mountain." Yet Moses is not satisfied for he remembers his previous experience with his kinsman (2:13, 14), what shall he say to them? In answer God gives Moses a name by which he shall be known "I am that I am," and further he is to tell them that he is the "Jehovah, the God of their fathers." God does not set before Moses a primrose path to follow. He plainly states that Pharaoh will object and that their deliverance will be wrought by a mighty hand.

IV. Moses' Response to the Call. We have seen that this call came "in" the midst of the common duties of daily toll; that it was "for" a definite, a specific purpose, deliverance from and deliverance to; this call came "by" God. A God, past, present, future. God a person, "I am," God, a power, "I will," but the call was "to" an agent. God works his purposes through man, "I will send thee." This agent had assurance, proper credentials, and was promised power, sufficient aid. Moses as this agent was a man of (1) humility (v. 11); (2) lacking in knowledge (v. 13); (3) lacking in confidence (Ch. 4:1); (4) lacking eloquence (4:10).

V. The Teaching. We thus have presented a wonderful revelation of God. The unconsumed bush appealed to Moses. Filled to fullness with the flaming fire of God's glory it was still unconsumed, a suggestion of what the presence of God means either in a man or among a people. The visible is followed by the audible and there is brought to our attention the absolute purity of God, the infinite power of God, the marvelous patience of God, the overwhelming pity of God and the irresistible power of God. Such infinite resources are at our disposal.

NEWEST DRAPERY IN VEILS



CRAPÉ veils for mourning, either in black or white, are not more than a yard or a yard and a quarter in length. When a longer veil is desired—which is not often the case—chiffon bordered with crapé is used instead of all crapé. The new draperies require a well almost or quite square and these squares of crapé are finished with a three-inch border of the same material, which extends all around the four sides. There are several new drapes, but the two most artistic ideas show the veil falling in a double or triple box plait from the back of the turban, or draped to fall in two points at the back from bonnet shapes. In the latter case the veil provides the trimming for the bonnet.

Longer veils or chiffon with crapé borders are used on both bonnets and turbans. Among some of the smartest styles these long veils provide the drapery for the shape, enveloping it entirely, and fall in ample folds about the figure. This is for those who desire the extreme in mourning modes.

Other novelties to be noted are the use of black and white crapé together and of all white crapé for any period of mourning. The most striking and beautiful mourning millinery to be seen on Fifth Avenue is in white crapé. Shapes are covered with this fabric and trimmed with lilies, roses or other blossoms made of it. The same idea is carried out in black. The pure white of white crapé and the beauty of the fabric itself make for it a triumph above all other materials.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

FOR NIGHTGOWN OR NEGLIGEE

Exquisitely Pretty Robes Serve Both Purposes—Crepe de Chine and White Lace Chiefly Used.

Alluring robes in delicately colored crepe de chine and white lace are listed as nightgowns, but may quite as properly be worn as negligees, and most women buy them for that purpose. The back and front, each cut from a single breadth of double-width crepe de chine, are so gradually sloped from the lower edge—finished with an a-four-headed hem—to the bust, that nowhere is there an atom too much fullness. At the top the crepe de chine width at back and front are opened at the right side and drawn in a point to that shoulder, while the other side is caught under the left arm. The entire lower section is swung from a deep yoke of white lace whose neck is drawn taut by a ribbon run beading after the robe is on, for there is no other opening and no fastening to bother with. The elbow sleeves are simply wide puffs of lace ending in narrow ruffles gathered with ribbon and beading.

MISSES' DRESS



Misses' dress of royal blue crepe and light blue accordion pleated voile. Broad gishia belt with stiff bow.

DAYS OF HIGH HEELS ENDED

Sandals Which, With Their Accessories, Are Remarkably Pretty, Assure Downfall of "Stilet."

Off with your high stiletts, Miss Abreast-with-Fashion! Down to within a quarter inch of the pavement with your heels! For that is what sandals are going to bring you to. And then won't you be an insignificant little person? But as you'll certainly adopt sandals, you may as well learn that they're kept on with ribbons laced about the ankles—a horrid nuisance, the lacing—and tied there in bows or clasped with tiny buckles. The buckles are certain to be more popular than the bows first, because they're more easily adjusted and, second, because they're so pretty. One of the prettiest pair as yet brought out is in three tones of gold set with Bulgarian colored stones. Another set is of an opaque dark blue stone, a third in two tones of silver set with sapphires and topaz, and a fourth in dull gray finished metal set with sapphires. Then there are the buckles of tortoise shell bearing silver nail heads and of platinum set with rhinestones and of gold set with pearls.

New Wrinkles.

The fingers and hands of elbow length silk gloves wear out, leaving the uppers comparatively new. Where there is a baby in the house these may be turned to good use. Place one of baby's socks on the gloves, the leg part of the sock and the hemmed end of the glove being together. Then cut socks for the baby after the pattern. Sew carefully into shape with flat seams. Here you have a good lightweight sock only for the cost or trouble of making. The top should be reinforced to withstand the wear and tear caused by safety pins.

Violet Holder.

An extremely simple and practical rubber novelty comes in the shape of a bunch of violets, and is designed for the protection of a gown when the natural flowers are worn. It is made of green rubberized silk, the shade of the violet leaves, and is outlined with a green wire. When worn it effectually prevents the penetration of any moisture to the gown. The wire edge permits of shaping the holder to the bouquet proper, and the latter is then attached to the corsage or wherever else desired.

Quaint Effect.

The steamer trimming for hats is being favored by both French and English women. Among the novel, quaint effects to be considered is one showing an inch-wide, black moire ribbon draped from the right side of the hat snugly across the throat to the left shoulder, where it falls unrestrained to the hem of the gown, says the New York Herald. Only picturesque or youthful women should undertake the steamer trimming.

Rose Flavoring.

Fill a glass bottle with fresh, fragrant petals, crowding them down to its fullest capacity, then pour in enough pure alcohol to submerge.

HAD PREMONITION OF DEATH

New Jersey Man's Fear of Coming Disaster Laughed at by Comrades, but It Was Verified.

John Hueselmans, superintendent of a lumber yard in Harrison, N. J., started home after a day of intense worry through fear of impending disaster. His premonition caused several of the workmen to deride him. John Bissell of Newark led in the scoffing.

As Hueselmans was passing a 40-foot-high pile of heavy timbers Bissell, who was at work on top, uttered a warning cry and leaped to the ground. As he did so the great bulk of lumber swayed and toppled over. Hueselmans was buried beneath the mass and was instantly killed. Bissell, by his leap, avoided the crumbling pile and landed just beyond the timbers. The fall, however, resulted in his receiving numerous fractures and he was removed in a critical condition to St. Michael's hospital.

A crowded trolley car was passing the lumber yard at the time. The passengers, many of them workmen on their way home, rushed to the spot and began moving the timbers. It was half an hour before Hueselmans' mangled body was extricated.

ECZEMA IN WATER BLISTERS

748 Congress St., Chicago, Ill.—"My eczema broke out like little water blisters. Each one was full of water and would itch until I would scratch it open, then the water would run out and it would get sore. I first got the eczema on the back of the hand and I scratched it so hard I made it all sore. Then I got it on my legs just above the ankle and above the knee.

"I used what they call — and it stopped the itch but it got worse. Then I used —. In all I had the trouble for about two years. One day I saw the advertisement of Cuticura Soap and Ointment in the paper. I wrote for a sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and I tried them and then bought some more. Cuticura Soap and Ointment left my sores nice and smooth. I used them for six weeks, and am now cured; the eczema left no marks." (Signed) F. W. Horrisch, Oct. 19, 1913.

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Tired of Bossing.

When Mary went home to Ireland for a visit to the old farm, after a four years' course in general housework in America, she found a new baby brother. "And he was that spoiled you couldn't live in the same house with him," recounted Mary to her old mistress. "Such a rascal as he had had! I told me mother 'twas different altogether from the bringin' up of us older children. 'Twas do this, an' we done it—or got a whippin'. But with the little wan now—if she says to him 'do this,' he says, 'No, I don't want to,' an' never a budge does he make. But my mother was not set back by my scoldin'. She just said, 'Oh, well, wait until you've lived as long and as much as I have, and you will get tired of bossin', too.'

Discouraged.

"This life is no bed of roses." "Certainly not. For me it isn't even a bed of turnips."

We know a persistent salesman who wonders if it would be worth while to show St. Peter the latest card index system.

The eye is sometimes more eloquent than the tongue, yet few of us prefer a tongue lashing to an eye lash.

The holy bonds of matrimony sometimes merely indicate a merger.

CROP CONDITIONS IN WESTERN CANADA

ARE THE MOST PROMISING FOR MANY YEARS.

The deepest interest is attached to the condition of the grain crops in Western Canada, especially among the thousands in the United States who are financially interested in lands in that country. This interest is fully as great among those who have friends there following farming and the growing of grain.

The reports from Canadian government officials convey the information that the area under crop this year in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta will probably be no greater than that of last year. Last fall the weather was such that there was not as much fall plowing as had been hoped for. The getting ready of land this spring made a considerable portion of the grain late in seeding. Notwithstanding this, wheat, oats, barley and flax were got in in good shape, although from a week to ten days later than last year. On the 27th of June the reports regarding crop conditions generally in Western Canada were: "Abundant sunshine with timely and copious rain throughout Western Canada gives every assurance of generous harvest. Climate conditions in recent weeks have been absolutely ideal. Western correspondents agree in predicting every indication of a bumper crop under favorable conditions. Wheat should be headed out in Manitoba between July 10th and 12th, and in Saskatchewan and Alberta from 15th to 17th. The oat crop is looking well, although late and rather short in straw."

This is followed by a report July 5th: "Crop conditions continue in same satisfactory condition as last week. Plenteous rains have fallen all over prairie provinces, followed by general warm and splendid growing weather. Experts agree sufficient moisture for many weeks, while crop is ten to fifteen days late, prospects are extremely favorable and conditional upon reasonable weather for next four weeks. Splendid western crop is assured."

There is, therefore, the best reason to anticipate most magnificent crops throughout Western Canada in 1913.—Advertisement.

When Ex-President Taft Was Married.

It was formerly a pleasant custom of society reporters to indulge in predictions as to the glorious future of the happy pair. A journalistic prophet of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, in writing of the wedding of Miss Helen L. Herron, daughter of John W. Herron to William Howard Taft, which occurred twenty-seven years ago, had this to say:

"William H. Taft is one of the young men of the city who may be depended upon in public affairs. He is one of the highest standing of the graduates of Yale, and his original powers, perfect integrity and courage and correct instincts, as well as thorough information, have made him useful, won for him the friendships and enmities most complimentary, and opened for him a career that has the highest promise of great distinction."

Misunderstood.

"He married a woman with principle." "Yes—and now he lives on the interest."

Its Nature.

"Did your play have a run in that trip?" "Yes—from the sheriff."

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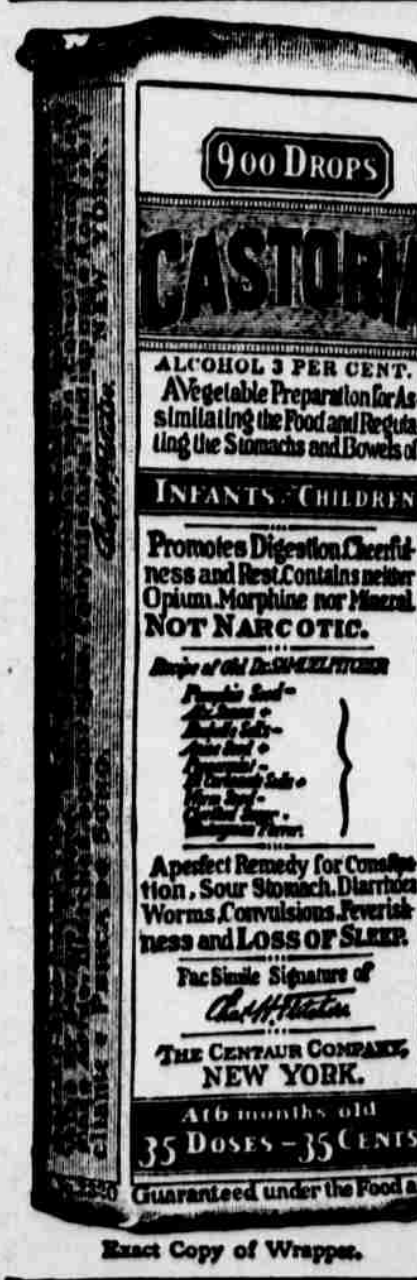
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