INTERNATIONAL **SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

LESSON FOR JULY 12

GREATNESS THROUGH SERVICE.

LESSON TEXT-Mark 10:32-45. GOLDEN TEXT—"The Son of man also came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." Mark 10:45.

This is a time in the life of our Lord that vibrates with interest as we rapidly approach his last tragic week upon earth. At the beginning of his Perean ministry (Luke 9:51) we read that Jesus "steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem." Now that dourney is nearly ended. He had reached a place near Jericho. Knowing the antipathy of the rulers, those who journeyed with Jesus were "amazed," and some as they followed him on this journey were "afraid" (v. 32). Jesus, therefore, and for a third time, plainly tells his disciples what is about to take place in Jerusalem.

The contrast of self is the distinguishing feature of the lesson of the self-seeking disciples over against the self-renouncing Master.

Assurance of Faith.

I. The Self-seeking Disciples, vv. 32 41. As Jesus clearly spoke to those who in amazement followed him hetold of his condemnation and deliverance to the Gentiles; his persecution, death and resurrection (vv. 32-34). It was then that James and John presented their request. Matthew tells us (20:20) that they made it through their mother. It was an ignorant request, for they knew not what it involved (v. 38), nor whose it was to grant it (v. 40). He had spoken with great clearness about his suffering and death and immediately they ask a position in his glory. This may indicate the assurance of their faith in him, but it certainly intimates that they did not comprehend the suffering of which he had been speaking. We need to remember, however, that they believed in that approaching hour of his glory. They desired, though, to have an association with him in his power and authority, thus showing their mixture of selfishness, though Jesus seems to have ignored it. Was this request incited by the mother? Evidently not to a degree, for the Master addresses his reply to the disciples. In that reply he does say that to occupy such a position was denied them, or might be quite possible. What he does lay stress upon was what was involved and that this was not the time or place to lay emphasis, in this new kingdom, upon any other idea than that of equality.

Jesus then clearly declared all that was involved in his pathway of suffering and propounds his question, "Are ye able to drink the cup that I drink?" (v. 38). It was a heroic but ignorant answer they made, "We are able." Their language reveals the character, however, of those who did enter into that fellowship with him which eventually led them to martyrdom. He told them they should be baptized into a strength to do and live this life of abandonment, but that such a life could not command any preeminence on that account. Their request was otherwise a correct one. In order to share with Christ in his glory we must share his cup and his baptism of shame and suffering; see 14:36; Matt. 26:39; John 18:11; II Tim. 2:12; Rom. 8:17; Matt. 16:24. James and John (v. 39) did not stop to meastre the meaning of their request

Wanted Places of Authority. 11. The Self-renouncing Master, vv. 41-45. In answer to the indignation (v. 41) of the other ten disciples Jesus without any manifest impatience calls the disciples "unto him" and sets before them their absolute equality, and yet at the same time a way of exaltation, v. 43. Jesus is ever calling us "unto him," for he desires to lead us out of lives of selfishness into those of fulness and service. These ten were not altogether without selfishness; they wanted the places of authority also. Once before, chapter 9:33-36, this same controversy had arisen and was again manifested (Luke 22:24) and that, too, at a solemn occasion, as he announced his approaching death and instituted the supper. It was not till after Pentecost that it became possible for a disciple to write "in honor prefer one another," Rom. 4: 10, Phil. 2:3. This reply of Jesus to the indignation of the ten is a teaching by contrast and accurately describes the Gentile method of self-advancement. Over against it he sets forth the method of the "Son of Man." Till this present day such are the methods of those who are of this world only.

In his kingdom it is different, greatness is inverse ratio until we find the greatest is the one who serves most perfectly. In emphasizing this verse (v. 45) it is quite common to omit the last clause, "and to give his life a ransom for many." So to omit it is to neglect his work of redemption and overly emphasizes the altruistic aspect of Christianity. Men are not saved by any such method. Jesus is the greatest example of a perfect servant because he did give his life. Let us also remember that he gave that life and that no man took it from him, John 10:18

ZACATECAS, CAPTURED BY VILLA'S ARMY



A bird's-eye view of Zacatecas, the city against which General Villa hurled his army, driving out the federals under General Barron. Zacatecas has been considered the last remaining barrier between the rebels and Mexico

SENSATIONAL MURDER TRIAL AT GENEVA, ILLINOIS



Scene in the courtroom at Geneva, Ill., during the trial of Anthony Petras on the charge of murdering his former sweetheart, Theresa Hollander. Petras and his wife are seated at the end of the table. In the front, at the left, is Harvey Gunsul, counsel for the defense, and at the right, State's Attorney Tyers. Inset is a photograph of suvius pours out its usual volume of the defendant



This is Mile. Adgie Castillo, a vaudeville performer, seated on one of the trained lions which a few days ago killed her flance. Emerson Dietrich. The man, who was a college graduate, was Mile. Castillo's manager and was ambitious to become an animal trainer. He entered the lions' cage in a freight car at Chicago, and they attacked and killed him.

Clerk Who Cashed \$15 Check Noticed Six Digits on Man's Hand, and the Rest Was Easy.

"On what evidence are you holding this man?" demanded Justice of the Peace Sidney N. Reeve in Los Angeles when James Garfield Mortis was arraigned, charged with having forged the name of Mrs. Anita Baldwin Mc-Claughry to a \$15 check.

"Finger evidence," replied Policeman Stevens, who made the arrest. "You mean finger-print evidence, I

suppose," replied the magistrate. "No: just fingers. We don't need prints where a man has an extra finger on his right hand," said Stevens.

The clerk that cashed the check de-

EXTRA FINGER HIS HOODOO | clared the passer was a "six-digited phenomenon.

Mortis, who is colored, was incensed at the characterization. He referred to the extra digit as "a gift, that's all."

Indeed He Was. "Was your husband cool when you

told him there was a burglar in the house?" asked Mrs. Hammer. "Cool," replied Mrs. Gabb, "I should say he was cool. Why, his teeth chattered."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Easily Explained. Newlywed (disturbed over pur-

chases)-You had very simple tastes before I married you. Mrs. Newlywed—I had to in those days. I never could get any money gloves were found to be defective on out of father.

MME. CLAUSSE



Mme. Clausse, wife of the new counselor of the French embassy, is considered a distinct addition to the foreign colony in Washington, and is likely to be one of the most popular hostesses in the capital city.

Smokes as He Loses Finger.

Dr. Maxime Menard, head of the radiologic department of the Cochin hospital at Paris, France, calmly smoked a cigarette while his finger was being amputated.

The operation was necessary because cancer had developed owing to the action of X-rays, which had penetrated through the special gloves now examination.

Pink Glow Tints Entire Islano of Capri.

Mists Are Chased From Sides of Volcano-Noises of Neapolitan Traffic Form Rude Contrast to Peace Over the Waters.

Naples,-High above the street, am sitting on a railed window ledge about 18 inches wide and six feet long just large enough for a small chair, says a correspondent of an exchange But great or small, this perch suffices to command a most delightful view. The sun is just setting behind the promontory that stretches out toward Ischia. A pink glow is tinting the island of Capri, boldly visible across the bay. The long headland which forms the southern natural breakwater of this most wonderful harbor, with Sorrento glimmering near the extremity, is beginning to turn lavender, and in the mountain shadows a purplish tone develops as the light wanes.

Straight ahead of me as I sit is double-peaked Vesuvius, its sides perfectly clear of the mists that have enshrouded them since early morning. From the cone pours the neverending column of steam, just now somewhat mushroomed in the calm air of evening. I can see from time to time the jets rising from the outer edges of the great vent, to join the immense cloud-like mass above. North and south, like a transfixing shaft, a darker toned layer of vapor has drifted, spreading far beyond the green height of Mount Somma on the northeast and over to Mount St. Angelo on the Sorrento peninsula.

There is no menace in this aspect of the monster that has so often exacted its toll of life and destroyed so vast a sum in man-made values. It betokens the immeasurable force of nature and tells of a latent power for evil, but viewed from here it seems only a sham volcano, something pyrotechnic for a festa, and not doing very well at that. The knowledge that it is Vesuvius and that it still possesses a potency for unlimited evil greatly aids the mind in picturing it as a treacherously quiet creature, likely at any time to demand a sacrifice.

Lately much anxiety has been felt here regarding Vesuvius. A few months ago it began to show marked signs of renewed activity, and when a young Englishman descended into the crater to take motion pictures he reported a remarkable condition, indicative of malevolent energy. But the dreaded eruption has not occurred, and now it is Etna that has contributed afresh to the seismic records, by causing an earthquake that has destroyed several Sicilian villages and taken scores of lives. Meanwhile Ve-



steam, and presents the picture I see as I write, a daily mystery and a familiar menace of possible devasta-

The light is passing. Capri has almost gone from sight and the glow has faded from the Vesuvius steam which has for some minutes been shading through the most elusive tones of a fire opal. The transfixing spear of darker vapor has melted. The bay is as smooth as a ballroom floor, dotted with boats, white-winged fishermen returning from their day's adventure with the nets, tiny motor boats, rowboats, a couple of steamers with faintly glimmering mast

SKULL IS OLD CRIME CLUE

Sarfield Find Believed Head of Peddler Murdered Over Seventy Years Ago.

Passalc, N. J .- William W. Scott, known throughout Passaic county as the dean of the bar, and who is also a noted historian in the county, said he believed the skull found by workmen in Garfield was that of a peddler who was murdered more than 70 years

Scott said his records related that on the site of No. 42 Passaic street, Garfield, where the skull was found, there stood in 1828 a Dutch homestead owned by Tunis Van Iderstein. About that time there was great excitement in the neighborhood when an old peddler disappeared and a little later the headless body of a man was found in the Passaic river.

Scott believes the skull found was the peddler's.

Roosevelt's Gift Horse is Killed. Chicago,--"Colonel Roosevelt," brown mare presented by the ex-president to Miss Lucille Mulhall of Ponca, Okla., was electrocuted when it stepped on the third rail of the Metropolitan Elevated railroad while in charge of a stable boy.

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Shown Up.

Senator La Follette was talking about the dodges and squirms of a certain corrupt railroad official.

"For all his dodges and squirms," said the senator, "the man was shown up. It's like the case of Smith.

"A dun entered Smith's flat, pushed into the parlor and said to Smith's little son:

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according to orders. "'Gone away? Humph! Where

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The heart must grow tranquil before the thought can become searching.-Royce.

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