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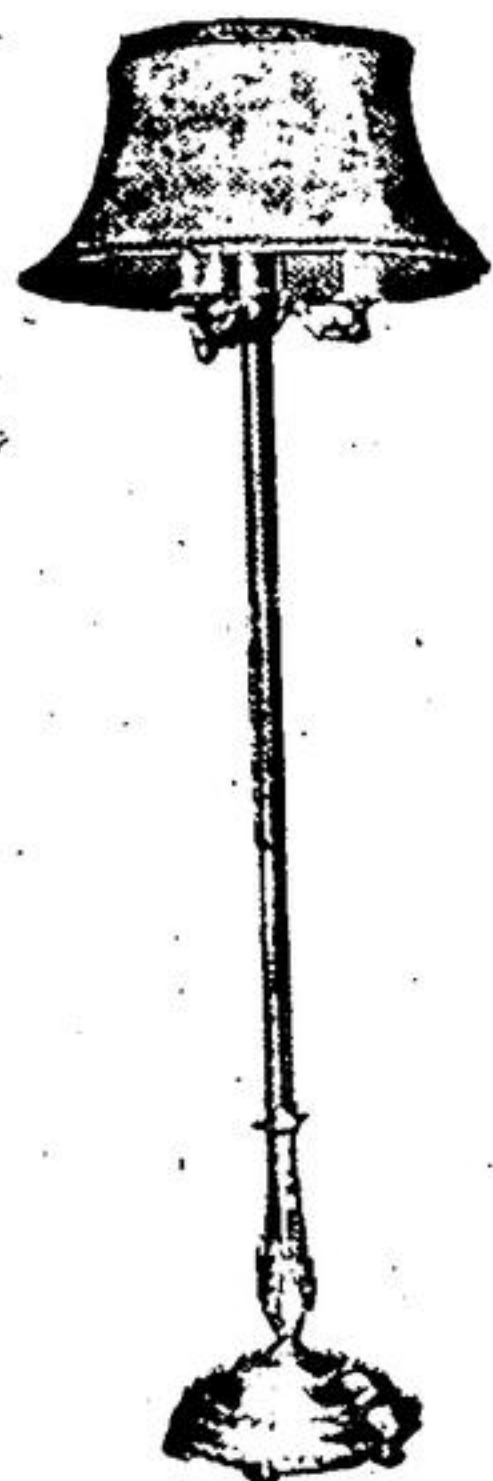
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Comments on the Lesson

by Rev. John M. Smith

SUNDAY, MARCH 20th
"SPECIAL TRAINING OF THE TWELVE"

There were times when Jesus and his disciples found it necessary to withdraw from the crowds who came to seek healing and spiritual guidance. On such occasions they undoubtedly were refreshed by much needed rest and the opportunity to attend to their personal needs. It is evident from the scriptures, however, that these periods of separation which were usually spent in desert places were also used as a time of special fellowship and instruction. We can imagine the rich fellowship of conversation, explanation, and prayer which the little band would enjoy. It is little wonder that they came back from such experiences strengthened and encouraged for the task of establishing the Kingdom. Undoubtedly these hours of "drawing apart" had much to do with the transformation of a group of average men into "evangelists of the Kingdom."

The Biblical Basis:

Mark 6:30-32; Luke 11:1-4; 9-13
The Marcan passage gives us a brief word picture of the disciples speaking with Jesus concerning their efforts in the work of the Kingdom. Evidently they are weary and perhaps a bit disturbed about the consequences of the mission. A period of quiet rest is suggested by Jesus and the little band retires to a less populated spot — a desert place — where in his fellowship their vigour and courage of body, mind, and spirit are nurtured.

The Lucan passage suggests such an occasion as that outlined above. The disciples have been noticing Jesus' prayer life and have sensed something of its sincerity and value. They request that Jesus teach them to pray as John had taught his disciples to pray. As a result we have that prayer which is known to us all and which we oftentimes repeat — too often failing to catch the significance of the phrases. The disciples, one feels sure, must have meditated long upon the meaning of the words "Our Father," "Heaven," "God's Name," "God's Kingdom," "God's Will," were phrases which must have vibrated for them because of their doctrinal significance. Then too, the idea of complete "Submission" and utter "Dependence" would be very real to this group of wandering teachers whose Master had no place to lay his head but whose name was "King of Kings". One can imagine also that the great lesson of forgiveness contained in the prayer would not be ignored. They themselves desired forgiveness but here they were reminded of the condition — they too must

learn how to forgive. How often they were tempted they do not know but we do know they were human and therefore we feel that they had their moments of weakness — and surely they must have prayed "Lead us not into temptation" with a depth of feeling and humility.

Verses 9-13 are words spoken by Jesus and his disciples which might be entitled "An Encouragement to Prayer". Needless to say that not only were the disciples encouraged to pray but they were given the assurance that their prayers would be heard and answered. This of course assures sincerity and earnestness in prayer and as true disciples that always in their praying would be the spirit "Thy Will be Done".

The Application:

From these experiences exemplary of the special training of the twelve we can receive guidance for our spiritual growth. We too would do well to "draw apart" from the hustle and bustle of life and take time for physical and mental rest. Such times if prayerfully used, can be periods of Christian development and prepare us mentally, spiritually, and physically for our living as followers of the Christ. We too would do well to say "Lord teach us to pray" and to earnestly meditate upon the great beliefs incorporated in the Lord's Prayer which we so often repeat "mumble jumble" fashion. If we could catch the spirit of that prayer, and live accordingly, we could go forward in faith, knowing that in spite of adversaries, criticisms, rejections and abuses, that God's will was being done in us.

Helpful Quotations

"A prayer of hasty words at the fog end of the day, or a form observed simply in deference to custom, or a kind of sop to a nervous conscience in case we might die in our sleep with our sins unforgiven, is not very effective."

"Give us our daily bread, emphasizes 'us' not 'me'."

"Communion does not mean a monologue, it includes 'listening' sometimes."

"Every earnest soul will find his own secret stair to his Father's presence."

BALLINAFAD

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Shortill were hosts to the Farm Forum on Sunday night. "Many happy returns," the last in a current series on income tax, was the topic. It was reported that 17 tables played at the last euchre in the hall, with Mrs. Gunn of Orton and Stanley Mathews of Acton, winning prizes. Another euchre party was planned next week. Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Flindall will be the hosts next Monday night.

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Little Susan Mills has been visiting her grandparents here.

The W.I. ladies are quilting at Mrs. Kirkpatrick's these days.

Cadet Robin Bourne was home from RMC, Kingston, last week end.

The WMS met at the home of Mrs. A. C. Patterson on Thursday evening. Those taking part in the program included: Scripture by Mrs. Mills, Prayers by Mrs. A. Norton and Study by Mrs. A. Benton. Itall Call was answered by a verse of Scripture containing "Conversation". The hostess served lunch at the close.

HUSBANDS ARE GUESTS AT BUSY BEE W.I. SOCIAL

The February meeting of Nassagaweya Busy Bees took the form of a Valentine Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Robinson when the ladies entertained their husbands. Mrs. Peter McLean presided and during a short business session five dollars donations were made to Hulton Music Festival and the Junior Girls' scholarship fund. Twenty yards of factory cotton were ordered for use in making articles for a fall bazaar.

Mrs. Davenport, convener of Agriculture and Industry introduced the guest speaker, Rev. Mr. Hodder who spoke on Newfoundland. Being from that province himself, he was able to explain their reluctance in voting for confederation. He told the size, shore-line and character of the people and about the fishing industry and closed by saying that Newfoundlanders love their country and those that leave always at

some time return home.

Mrs. Allen, accompanied by Mrs. McLean, sang "Rose of Tralee." Martin Davenport pleased the meeting with his singing of "The Old Dutch Mill". Later in the evening, these two sang other selections. A contest, "The Floral Wedding" conducted by Mrs. David Henderson, was won by Mrs. Davenport and Mr. Hodder. Partners were chosen for lunch, served by the hostess and her assistants.

HARVEST NEWS

Well, folks, the honeymoon is over. Saturday morning last, Murray Hooper, driver for Taylor Transport of Brampton brought us the largest load of machinery we have received since 1940 — over ten tons. Murray was at a party somewhere in Chinguacousy Friday night and he told the boys of the enormous load he had on for us. Hugh Leslie and Hartley Cameron drove over to see it, and we immediately put them to work helping to unload it. Russ Thompson helped us for awhile, but Mrs. Thompson came along and we lost Russ.

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