

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson for March 25

**Golden Text.**—Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.—Matt. 21:9

**The Lesson as a Whole**

**Approach to the Lesson**

The so-called triumphant entry of our Lord into Jerusalem, at the beginning of last week of His earthly ministry, which was to culminate in His death and burial — to be followed by a glorious resurrection, — was in partial fulfillment of Psalm 118, where He is presented as the rejected Stone, eventually to be made the Head of the corner, but first accepted by a few who cry, "Hosanna" ("Save now"), and, "Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord" (Psa 118: 25, 26). But instead of the Kingdom being then set up, the next thing is His crucifixion, when He is bound as it were like the sacrificial animals, to the horns of the altar (Psa. 118: 27).

Doubtless, those who welcomed Him into Jerusalem, as He rode upon the ass down the slopes of Olivet, and into the Holy City, thought the hour of His triumph had come and believed that He was about to assert His royal authority and begin His beneficent reign over Israel and the subjected nations, making Jerusalem the capital of a regenerated world. All this shall indeed be in God's appointed time, but He had other work to accomplish first. So the entrance into the city amid the plaudits of the populace was but preliminary to His death upon a Roman cross, where He was to make propitiation (rather than reconciliation) for the sins of the people (Heb. 2: 17, R.V.). For Him there could be no Kingdom without the cross.

That the welcome He received was sincere, we need not question. His own words in answer to the criticism of the chief priests and scribes make that clear (Matt. 21: 16). But those who thus rejoiced in His coming to them little realized the true state of affairs, nor did they understand the predictions of the prophets: how Christ must first be rejected and suffer many things before He could enter into His glory (Luke 24: 25-27).

**Verse by Verse**

Matt. 21: 6.—"The disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them." We need to read verses 1 to 5 in order to get the full connection. Long years before, Zechariah had prophesied that the King of Israel would come riding into His capital upon the colt of an ass. In order that this might be fulfilled literally, Jesus gave two of his disciples instruction as to where this beast would be procured, and in obedience to His word they obtained it with the consent of the owners, who gladly put it at the Master's disposal.

Verse 7.—"They set him thereon." The unbroken ass was subject to His will. The disciples spread some of their own garments upon it, as a saddle, and seated the Lord Jesus Christ upon them. It is significant that this humble creature was more subject to Him — its Creator — than men whom He had come to save.

Verse 8.—"A very great multitude spread their garments in the way." It was a truly Oriental setting. Part of the throng carpeted the road before Him with their robes and others cut down palm branches and strewed them on the path. He was to take, thus acclaiming Him as their rightful King.

Verse 9.—"Hosanna to the son of David." This and the words following, as we have already noted, were quotations from the Psalm of Triumph, the 118th, in which His loyal subjects acclaim their King, "Great David's greater Son." The complete fulfillment of the Psalm awaits His Second Advent, as He Himself predicted later on (Matt. 23: 39).

Verse 10.—"All the city was moved, saying, Who is this?" The singing and rejoicing were heard throughout all Jerusalem, and the populace, stirred with wonder, inquired as to who it was whose entrance to their city had caused such an ovation. It was a repetition of what took place centuries before, when Solomon was welcomed as king (1 Kings 1: 38-40). He of whom Solomon was but a type was now among them yet many knew Him not.

Verse 11.—"This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee." With fervent faith, the rejoicing multitude declared Jesus to be a prophet. They were, doubtless, for the most part, Galileans themselves, who had become convinced that He was all that He claimed to be.

Verse 12.—"Jesus went into the temple of God." To Him, that Temple was His Father's house. It was the center of all Jewish worship and service. But it had become defiled and polluted and was turned into a place of merchandise under the guise of assisting the many pilgrims who came from all parts of the world to keep the annual feasts, or set time, of Jehovah (see Lev. 23).

Verse 13.—"My house shall be called the house of prayer." This was the divine purpose, as declared by Isaiah the prophet (Isa. 56: 7). In the coming day of the Kingdom, when Jerusalem becomes, in truth, the worship center of the world, a new temple will arise, to which all nations shall resort. The one which then stood on Mt. Moriah had become "a den of thieves," dishonor-

## JOINS WOMEN'S ARMY



Princess Elizabeth has joined the auxiliary territorial service, comparable to the Canadian Women's Army Corps and is training as an officer driver. A Buckingham Palace announcement said the princess held the honorary rank of second subaltern. She is to be treated in exactly the same way as any other officer learner at the driving training centre. By the King's order she is to receive no special privileges, any more than the King himself did when he served in the Royal Navy.

ing to God and a stumbling block to men.

Verse 14.—"The blind and the lame came to him in the temple." He who was the Lord of the Temple was there to manifest His delivering power. Those who were suffering from various physical infirmities sought Him out "and he healed them" in His grace and compassion.

Verse 15.—"The chief priests and scribes ..... were sore displeased." These proud, haughty legalists were scandalized by the very goodness and loving-kindness of Jesus. The plaudits of the grateful populace were as gall and bitterness to them. When they heard the people crying, "Hosanna to the son of David," they had no thought of joining in this glad recognition of Him, whose works of power bore witness to the divinity and authority of His message (John 5: 30), but they were indignant that such honor should be paid Him.

Verse 16.—"Hearst thou what these say?" They blamed Jesus for permitting the people to address

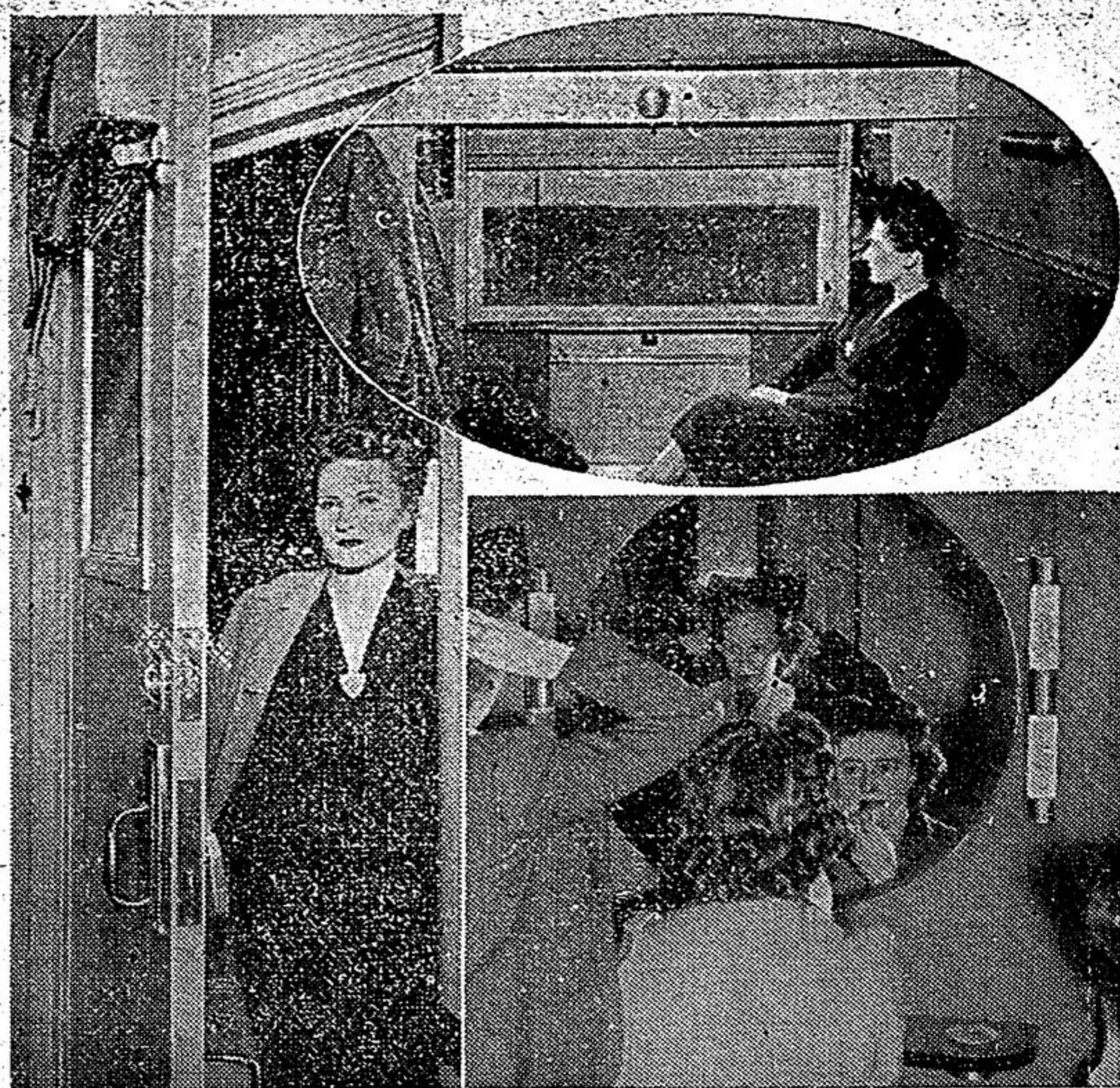
Him as the Son of David, which was equivalent to acknowledging Him as their Messiah, and so called on Him to rebuke the multitude. But Jesus refused to heed their angry criticisms and referred them to a passage in the Psalms, which exactly fitted the case: "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise" (Psa. 8: 2). In their honesty and simplicity, the common people, whom the self-righteous leaders despised, proved they had been taught of God and so honored Jesus Christ as the Sent One of the Father, who had come into the world to be the Redeemer of Israel.

### The Heart of the Lesson

Every move that the Lord Jesus Christ made, as He went through this world, was in exact accord with the prophetic Word and therefore to the Father's will. As He entered Jerusalem, He knew that, not the Kingdom, but the cross was to be His portion in the immediate future. But nothing turned Him aside from His path of perfect submission to the One who had sent Him. He adorned every position that He took. His matchless perfections were manifested in everything He did. He accepted the praise of the children and of the older ones, who hailed Him as David's Son, with the same grace that enabled Him to endure the cold, biting criticism of His enemies. To Him the one paramount object of His life was to glorify the Father.

From a Canadian military hospital in Belgium comes a story of a "tough" army sergeant who was brought in with a badly wounded arm. The next day a Canadian Red Cross Corps girl, making the rounds of the hospital, stopped and chatted with him for some time. "I've never been so happy in my life," the sergeant said when she had gone; "That's the first time I've heard a Canadian girl's voice since I left Canada."

## C.P.R. Car Has First Automatic Door, Wider Windows



**IN MODERN MANNER:** Rebuilt as part of the Canadian Pacific Railway's program for immediate improvement and refinement of existing cars and radical changes in new rolling stock to be built when peace comes, the sleeping car

"Valois" has many new features, with special consideration for the comfort of women and children. The first automatic door opener in a Canadian railway car at left has a pneumatic-electric arrangement, visible at the top of the

rear of the door, to do the work at the first touch of the luggage-laden passenger's hand. Top right is one of the wider windows in the car with one large window of the observation car type installed to give a better view of the country.

REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE MAILED SHORTLY FOR

# FAMILY ALLOWANCES

which will be paid for EVERY ELIGIBLE CHILD UNDER 16 in Canada

The payment of these allowances to parents or other persons, who are maintaining children will commence in July, 1945, and the registration of children for this purpose is to begin immediately.



## AUCTION SALE

—of—  
MILCH HERD  
of 30 Reg and High-Grade Holsteins  
also MILKING MACHINE

The undersigned has received instructions to sell by public auction at

**Sat., March 24**

1945, the following property belonging to

**Ross McGuckin**

**Holstein Cattle**  
Herd Sire — Monarch Pride Hays  
Holstein Cow, calf by side  
Holstein Cow, calf by side  
Jeanne Lee Arrow, Registered Holstein Cow, 4 yrs. old, calf by side  
Holstein Cow, calf by side  
Holstein Cow, springer  
Holstein Cow, springer  
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Ayrshire Cow, fresh  
Holstein Cow, fresh  
Red Cow, fresh  
Holstein Cow, calf by side  
Foston Pontiac Queen, registered  
Holstein Cow, 4 yrs., fresh  
Black Jersey Cow, fresh  
Holstein Cow, due before sale time  
Holstein Cow, springer  
Holstein Heifer, bred Dec.  
Holstein Heifer, yearling  
Holstein Heifer, yearling  
All cattle T.B. tested. Owner quitting milk business.

**Dairy Equipment**  
DeLaval Magnetic-Milking Machine 2 single units, solution rack, installed for 18 cows complete, new  
DeLaval Cream Separator, No. 18, with power drive attachment, 3 years old  
1½ H.P. Fairbanks-Morris Gas Engine, new  
½ H.P. Electric Motor, new, used 2 weeks  
Brooder Stove, 500 chick size  
100 new Cedar Posts  
15 Chunks, about 100 lbs. each  
125 bus. Victory Seed Oats, grown from certified seed, bagged in 3 bus. bags  
Small quantity Turnips & Mangolds

**Terms, Cash**  
No reserve as owner is giving up the Milk Business.  
Sale starts at 1.30 p.m. sharp  
Sellers and Atkinson, auctioneers

To help provide better **FOOD**

To help provide adequate **CLOTHING**

To aid parents in the raising of their children, the Family Allowances Act was passed at the last session of Parliament. Under the Family Allowances Act each eligible family in Canada will receive a monthly cheque beginning July, 1945. These monthly payments are to help provide children with medical, dental and nursing services, more nourishing food, adequate clothing and shelter, and to give parents of Canada a chance to equalize the opportunities for their children.

**WHEN PAID?** Family Allowance cheques will be mailed out to parents each month beginning July, 1945.

**TO WHOM PAID?** Allowances will be paid to the parents, or to any person who maintains a child.

**INCOME TAX:** No one will benefit from both Family Allowances and a full income tax deduction for their children. Parents have the choice of applying for their Family Allowances or not claiming the allowance and claiming the full deduction for their children under Income Tax. If they claim the Family Allowance, the amount of deduction from tax allowed for children under the Income Tax Act will be reduced by the amount of any Family Allowance received.

Anyone who is uncertain whether or not he or she will benefit from Family Allowances more than from Tax Deduction should register for the Family Allowance and in this way be on the safe side. Incomes may change during the course of a year.

**PARENTS**  
YOU ARE HELPING YOUR CHILDREN  
WHEN YOU REGISTER FOR  
**FAMILY ALLOWANCES**

**Scale of Monthly Allowance for the first 4 children**

For each child	From 6-10	\$5.00
From 10-13	=	6.00
From 13-16	=	7.00
Where there are more than four children under 16 in the family, the monthly allowance for each child after the fourth will be reduced.		

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