

Sunday School Lesson Discussion Questions

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, Jesus Chooses the Twelve, for Sunday, February 20.

- 1. What are the marks of a friend of Jesus?
2. What constitutes a disciple of Jesus?
3. What is the difference between a disciple of Jesus and an apostle?
4. Why should human agents be used in carrying out the work of God?
5. What are the evidences that God trusts men called to do his work?

A mind that cannot be simple is not a first-class brain. — Dr. Peale.

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Creamed Comments On S.S. Lesson

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, Jesus Chooses the Twelve, Mark 1:16-20; Luke 6:12-16, for Sunday, February 20. Christ's decision to select twelve men whom he could train and trust to carry on his work was one of the most important he ever made.

V.16. "And as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea." This was not the first time he had been in contact with them; they had been friends and followers before.

V.17. "And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." Fishers of men is a fine phrase for soul-winning which was to be their task from now on.

V.18. "And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed him." When Jesus calls any one to follow him it is expected that there will be an immediate response.

V.19. "And when he had gone a little farther thence, he saw James, the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets." These men were associates of Simon and Andrew and were also friends of Jesus.

V.20. "And straightway he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him." Zebedee was a man of means and his sons could have lived in comfort but the Lord saw in these two sons possibilities of a high type of Christian service which was of greater importance than any mercantile business.

V.21. "And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer." To Jesus, the knowledge of the revealed will of God was essential and this came only by close contact with his Father God.

V.22. "And when he was up, he called unto him Simon, and said, Follow me, and thou shalt be a fisher of men." This was the call for every follower to be a soul winner.

V.23. "And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples; and of them he chose twelve, whom he also named apostles." There were three calls of Jesus to his followers: first, the call of friendship; second, the call of discipleship; third, the call of apostleship.

V.24. "Simon (whom he also called Peter), Andrew his brother, James and John, Phillip and Bartholomew." These specially ordained men were to do team work and later were sent out two by two. Here is a sane suggestion for evangelism.

Sunday Service

St. Mary's Church Very Rev. Magr. Seimetz, pastor 6:00 a.m. Low Mass. 7:30 a.m. Low Mass. 9:00 a.m. Children's Mass. 10:15 a.m. High Mass. Prayer hour Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

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Home Education

The Message of the Top What a lesson the top preaches! The more balanced he is and the better his equilibrium, the more he stays in one place. When he is started in one direction and kept busily at his labor of spinning he goes a long time. The harder he is at work, the longer he is able to work. The busier he is, the faster he goes, the better he keeps his balance. He does his best work when he is started right. When he is spinning about, one cannot see his scratches and scars. They are, in fact, streaks of decoration.

Just as he is running down and weak, he turns and tries to go in a wrong direction, away from his old habits, and then, once again, takes up his former mode but finds he can do neither and stops. If the little top has to follow inherent principle, how much more do we! He is simple, obeying one law; and we are complex creatures, obeying and underlying law of activity and operation - to stay upright keep busy, maintain equilibrium, and work to keep going.

The Roman Catholic Church reports an expenditure of \$2,000,000 on its home mission program last year. The state of Pennsylvania has ruled that religious instruction may be given outside school buildings to released pupils during school hours. Regular courses on religious and church history may be included within the curriculum of the school and taught in the classrooms.

The world's record for Bible distribution is probably held by an 84-year-old bewhiskered Arab, Moussa Majadi. He has been associated with the American Bible Society for sixty-two years and over that period distributed a quarter of a million Scriptures, virtually all of them in Arabic. Peacemaking groups and pacifist groups within Germany are coming out of the underground and organizing. These peace organizations are suggesting that in any future war the present lands of Germany should be neutral. They are urging a world parliament and court with a world ministry of peace.

What is the Psalm verse that speaks about? 1. fretting over wrong? 2. delighting in God? 3. considering the poor? 4. God as our guide "even unto death"? 5. watching one's speech?

Do You Know Answered 1. "Fret not thyself because of evil doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity." (Psa. 37:1) 2. "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee desires of thy heart." (Psa. 37:4) 3. "Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble." (Psa. 41:1) 4. "For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death." (Psa. 48:14) 5. "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips." (Psa. 141:3)

The real goodness of living comes with the journey itself.

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Wit and Wisdom

Testimony Was True In a special meeting a minister was preaching on "Testimony and Fruit." At the climax of the sermon a thoughtless hen, cackling vociferously, came from under a front bench of the tabernacle. Quick as a flash, the minister, pointing to the hen, said, "That is all right for her to testify, provided she is telling the truth and the fruit will show it so." Hurrying to the corner, he found the egg which he exhibited and clinched his thought with effectiveness.

The Better Way

Holding the Fort "I am staying in China," writes Miss Amber Van who lives in the Communist-encircled Peiping. "There is still work to do. Until such time as the new regime is actually here, there are tremendous opportunities and needs made all the more acute because some have had to leave. When the Communists come, we do not know what we can do, but we believe we have a witness to make." She says that the missionaries in the ancient capital of China are laying in a few food supplies, "so we won't be a burden to any one during the time of turnover, when everything will be probably confusing." There are four essentials, as she sees it, for missionary work in Communist areas: (1) You must adopt simplicity in dress and diet; (2) you must earn your own living; (3) you must so live that eight of ten persons will testify that you are a good person, or you will be wiped out; (4) you must have such a depth of faith that you can stand under persecution and still grow in your Christian life.

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The church offers us the best opportunity we shall ever have to make friends and be friendly. The church can help us find God, and not only to know about him but to know him. Each must find him in his own way, but as we seek to worship we feel that his is close to us. We are thus able to know his will for us. At the church we learn their hearts to him. We can worship God anywhere, by ourselves, or in a crowd; however, it is often easier for us to think of God, to have a desire for him to speak to us, in the church than in any other place. Why not accept the invitation and COME TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY? — Rev. D. Carl Yoder.

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