

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MARCH 24. FEASTING AND FASTING.

LESSON TEXT—Mark 2:15-22. GOLDEN TEXT—“I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”—Mark 2:17.

Levi Matthew, who calls himself by the opprobrious title of “the publican,” represents that class of grafting patriots who through all ages have exemplified the seven cardinal points of a politician, viz., “the two loaves and five fishes.” Men who will weep over sentimental patriotism and serve the oppressor for profit. Better still, however, Matthew is a type of conversion in that he left all and followed Jesus. No weeping, but rather great rejoicing for he made a feast; no record of great conviction, though he had enough to act at once upon Jesus’ invitation. It was a brief, sudden call, but what vast results were involved. First a demonstration upon his part, secondly a demonstration upon the part of Jesus, and lastly a record of the life of the Master that has been termed the most important book ever written. Chronologically this lesson follows that of last Sunday. In Luke’s account we are told of the feast Matthew prepared that he might entertain Jesus. Some believe that Jesus began his work by trying to win the Jews through teaching in their synagogues and that, receiving him or not, he turns to those outside of the circle of the scribes and the Pharisees. Be that as it may, we know they murmured greatly that this rabbi should consort with publicans and with sinners.

Came to Call Sinners.

Jesus hears of their complaint and his reply is a fine bit of irony and sarcasm. “They that are whole have no need of a physician but they that are sick. You self righteous Pharisees, why do you complain if you are all right and these be all wrong, why then not let me minister to those that need me?” At the same time Jesus utters one of his greatest and most comforting sayings, “I came not to call the righteous but sinners.”

Jesus chooses one of their own social outcasts to write the only distinctly Hebrew account of his life; one who had been faithful as a business man to be a leader and historian; one willing to renounce all, say farewell to ambition and follow him.

Following this, the disciples of John the Baptist and of the Pharisees are fasting and they observe that the disciples of Jesus are not so engaged. They came to Jesus with the question and his reply is a perfectly logical one, “Why should they fast, am I not with them?” “Do you fast at your weddings while the bridegroom is present?” The day is to come, however, when he is to be taken away, then there shall be times for fasting.

Jesus has feasted with “many publicans;” when the bridegroom returns he will sit down with many publicans and sinners in glory whom he has associated with in order that he might save them. Are we following his example? If so, let us be sure we do it from the same motive. The disciples of John did the right thing to bring their perplexities to Jesus. He answers their question as we have seen and we are now in the day he mentions when there is a place for fasting. Jesus teaches us in his reference to the wine bottles (leather skins which could bear but one stretching process due to fermentation of the wine), that we are to be new creatures in him and must leave the old life and habits. We are not to make patchwork of this new Gospel and the old law.

His Work That of Physician.

There are two difficulties thus presented by this lesson; first, that Jesus should hold fellowship with those properly not of his circle or social standing for he was a rabbi or teacher, and, secondly, that he did not do his disciples observe fasting. Jesus admits the character of the company he kept, but his reply was, “I came for this purpose to call not the righteous but the unrighteous.” His work was to be that of a Physician. He assumes that his authority is not of man but of God, and that this ministry is to bring joy. Jesus had emptied himself that he might come and when he was to leave there it would be time enough for his disciples to fast. Jesus was not merely one who came to teach a system of ethics a little higher than the prophets. Jesus is more than a good man or even a holy man; he is the Great Physician, able to heal both body and soul, a Saviour.

Before these lost ones can be saved, however, they must realize they are lost, for we cannot save those who will not acknowledge themselves as being lost. When we acknowledge we are sinners he will save us (I Tim. 1:15). Turn a deaf ear to his call and there is no more hope (Luke 13:3).

It has been suggested that the parable of the prodigal son and the elder brother was uttered at this feast in Levi’s house; probably not, we do not know, but how truly it applies. The prodigal representing those lost publicans and sinners.

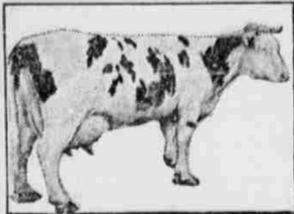
DAIRY



CARING FOR THE YOUNG COW

Early Breeding of Heifers Advocated by Dairymen—Very Best Market for Skim Milk.

(By W. H. UNDERWOOD.) I have long followed the plan of raising ten to a dozen calves each year, thus being allowed to replace the inevitable losses of the dairy and to constantly cull and sell those



An Excellent Milk Type.

which I consider least desirable. I think this practice ought to be followed on every farm where skim milk is available, because a dairy calf offers one of the very best markets for this dairy by-product.

I let these calves become mothers rather young. It is surprising how very early a vigorous young heifer will breed if the opportunity is given her. I had once a Jersey-Holstein cross-bred heifer that gave birth to her full term calf when only fourteen and one-half months old.

It is the business of a dairy cow to give milk and to learn to turn all her products and energies along this channel, and so the earlier she can get started in the right way the better.

It is sometimes said that early breeding stunts or dwarfs a heifer, but I have had many heifers to drop their first calves at from eighteen to twenty months of age, and afterward they developed into cows which were large and vigorous for their breed.

I like best to start with a September or October calf and then, if they spend their first winter under favorable conditions, with plenty of skim milk and early cut hay, bran and ground oats in addition, they will be sleek and plump when they go to pasture in the spring.

HOW TO WORK A SEPARATOR

Good Machine Will Soon Pay for Itself and With Proper Care It Will Last Lifetime.

(By BESSIE L. PUTNAM.)

Did you ever know a person who has a reliable separator to say that it does not pay? They all tell you it is the way to do it—the only way.

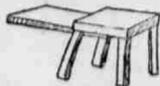
Look at a first-class machine and note the high speed attained. Only the best material and workmanship can be included in such a combination. It is no wonder that separators which are worth owning cost money. Yet a good one will soon pay for itself and with proper care it will last almost a lifetime. Look over the standard makes and no others, thoroughly before investing, but get a good one.

The work of separating a moderate amount of milk is easy in comparison with the old way, or even with keeping water on it in a tank. If it runs too heavy a gasoline engine will soon fix that beside proving a most profitable servant in many other duties. Keep a dish for the dog and the cat in a convenient place where you can take off the froth before straining and separating. Froth only proves a nuisance in the separator but the chickens will be glad to get any that the dog or cat leaves.

USEFUL STOOL FOR A MILKER

Provision is Made in Front for Placing Milk Pail—Not Hard to Put Together.

I have a good milking stool which provides a seat for the milker and a place to set the pail, says a writer in the Farm and Home. Two by 10-inch stuff was used in the making. The



Inexpensive Milking Stool.

seat is 10 inches square, and underneath it is nailed a board 18 inches long which projects out far enough to hold the pail. The legs are 12 inches high.

Great Difference in Milk.

Every person who has never milked cows, as well as some who have only witnessed this interesting process at a very safe distance, realize that there is not much variation in the quantity of milk from certain cows in the herd and on the same feed, but to most people “milk is milk,” very few having any correct ideas as to what is commonly called the “richness of it.”

PROSPECT CROSSING.

March 18, 1912.

Don and Homer Lucas and sister, Etta, and Vernie Milburn took in the “World in Cincinnati” last Friday.

Miss Eva Chaney entertained her aunt, Mrs. Emma Richards and daughters, Amelia and Cinderella, and son, Wendell, of Hillsboro, and Roger Faris and sister, Louanna, last Sunday.

Ethel Chaney called on Miss Dora Ream, Sunday afternoon.

Chris Eakins was the guest of W. M. Ream and family Friday.

Starley Vanzant is moving north of Hillsboro today.

Grover Eakins and family are moving into their new home recently purchased of Henry Mercer.

Rev. Gowdy, of Camden M. E. church, will deliver a lecture under the auspices of the Epworth League at Prospect March 28, at 7:30 p. m.

EAST MONROE.

March 18, 1912.

Charles Schran and family have moved to Wilders, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Littler, of Wellston, visited relatives here last week.

W. G. Fishback has been appointed Notary Public.

Warron Wilson visited in Leesburg Sunday.

J. E. Simmons visited at Cincinnati Saturday of last week.

Mrs. John Jenkins visited at Leesburg a few days this week.

Wm. McConnell and wife are visitors in Cincinnati this week.

Ralph Durnell, of Cincinnati, is visiting relatives here.

The funeral of Thomas Groves at Centerfield Sunday was attended by several from here.

James Street was a visitor in Chillicothe Monday.

Charles Watts, of Bainbridge, visited here last week.

John Cahill, of Cedarville, was a visitor here this week.

Miss Lucile Simmons, of Cincinnati, spent Sunday here.

Miss Madge Leaverton visited relatives at Leesburg a few days last week.

Mrs. Leota Lemon, of Hillsboro, and Mrs. Thomas Wheelen, of Bridges, were the guests of friends here Friday.

Thomas Watts has opened a barber shop at this place.

BERRYSVILLE.

March 18, 1912.

Joe Miller, of Marshall spent Sunday with W. A. Miller and family and was accompanied home by his sister, Mrs. Byrd Higgins, who will spend the week with him.

Harry G. Shannon and wife visited Fred Rice and wife at Marshall, Sunday.

Mrs. J. N. Creed is visiting friends here.

Mrs. J. W. Eakins entertained G. W. Ballentine and wife and daughter, Georgeanna, of Hillsboro, and Mrs. Harry Eakins and sons Sunday.

H. E. Eakins was in Cincinnati Sunday.

Miss Eva Renoe spent last Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Henry Spargur.

Mrs. Maggie Fouch has returned to her home in Cuba, after a visit with her parents, Wm Ream and family.

Mrs. T. C. McGuire, of Belfast, was entertained by Mrs. H. G. Shannon last Tuesday.

Grover Eakins and family are moving into their property recently purchased from Henry Mercer.

A. W. Padgett made a business trip to Cincinnati last week.

Bert Chaney had a valuable colt injured on a barb wire Sunday.

Carl Renoe was at Rainsboro last Monday.

Miss Ladora Ream entertained Miss Ethel Chaney, Sunday.

Bargains of real value at A. E. Pavey’s closing out sale.

DUNN’S CHAPEL.

March 18, 1912.

Rev. Dresch filled his regular appointment here Sunday, and preached an excellent sermon.

Mrs. Jessie Fox is sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kier.

Stephen Calloway, of Adams county, spent Thursday and Friday with his brother, Lefe Calloway and family.

J. W. Burton has moved to the Geo. Circle farm, near Lynchburg.

Aaron Huff moved to the John Evans farm last week.

Mrs. John McCreight is sick.

Mrs. Allen Purch and son, Alonzo, visited her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Kier, last Sunday.

Miss Rachel Michael called on her friend, Stella Kier, Sunday.

Miss Leanna Croser, Earl and Rachel Burton are visiting relatives in Bloomington, over Sunday.

MILLER’S CHAPEL.

March 18, 1912.

Miss Mae Lewis has gone to Hillsboro to spend the spring and summer.

Amos Igo and family spent Sunday with J. V. Sanders.

Little Homer Wilkins and Mrs. Caplinger are sick.

Miss Louise Hatcher called on Miss Ruby Calley Saturday evening.

Miss Lillian and Master Wendell Igo called on Elsie Wilkins Sunday evening.

Eldon Larrick, of New Vienna, spent from Friday until Sunday with home folks.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Bennett Thursday.

Mrs. Sarah Hatcher and daughters, Louise and Cedora, and Mrs. W. H. Hughes called on Mrs. E. C. Gotherman Saturday.

Mrs. Eliza Woods and Mrs. H. M. Igo called on Mrs. Alva Wilkins recently.

Mrs. Millie Barr and daughter, Mabel, spent Sunday with Mrs. Frank Bennett.

Rev. McDaniel will fill his appointment here Sunday.

DODSONVILLE.

March 18, 1912.

Misses Ruth and Georgia Henderson and Katie Hawthorne were the guests of George Dunselth and family Sunday.

The little son of H. P. Ellis, who has been seriously ill, is improving wonderfully.

Fred Keelor and Ruthie Runyon called on Noble and Rosa Stroup Sunday.

Mrs. Sophia Stroup and son, Harry, called on her daughter, Mrs. Charles Wolfram, Sunday.

Arville Ludwick and sister, Lizzie, of Hoaglands, and Miss Ruth Pfister, of Pike Chapel, were the guests of T. E. Abers and family, Sunday.

Josie Barker, of Stringtown, visited Henry Orebaugh and wife Saturday and Sunday.

John Pratt and family and Earl Stroup and family were the guests of M. C. Stroup and family Sunday.

Aaron Stroup and wife were the guests of Cleveland Murtland and wife Friday.

Fred Miller and wife and little daughter, Turner, called on Mrs. Miller’s parents, Frank Stricker and wife, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Shoemaker was the guest of her son, Walter, and family, at Xenia, last week.

Misses Rosa Stroup and Letta Shaffer called on Leona Stroup Saturday afternoon.

BARRETT.

March 18, 1912.

Wm. Davidson and family entertained for dinner Sunday, Frank R. Shoemaker and family.

Mrs. Jane Clinton, of Loveland, has been at the bed side of her sister, Mrs. Martha L. Tompson, the past week.

Mrs. Jake Wire, of Bloomingburg, visited her sister, Miss Nannie Burton last week.

Mrs. Della Morrow visited her daughter, Mrs. Joe Cowman, near Greenfield last week.

Wm. Rowe lost a very valuable cow today.

The sick in this community are slowly improving.

Mesdames C. O. and G. B. Cowgill gave a miscellaneous shower last Friday night for Miss Ollie Gibson. About 25 of the neighbors and friends were present and many beautiful presents were given. Ice cream and cake were served. All report a good time.

SHACKELTON.

March 18, 1912.

Walter Lemon and wife and daughter, Norma, visited L. C. Stockwell and family at Danville Sunday.

Will Charles and wife and Aunt Kate Woods spent Wednesday afternoon at the home of Herman Wilkin and wife.

Marle and Edgar Orebaugh were the guests of their grandparents at Hillsboro Saturday.

Austin Robinson and family were entertained Sunday by Homer Catlin and family, of New Market.

Mrs. Robert Houte and Mrs. Robert McNeil and daughter, Lorena, were guests of Ed. Chaney and family on Thursday.

Henry Fawley, of Peru, Ind., is the guest of his father, Noah Fawley, and other relatives.

James Wilkin and wife and daughter, Louise, spent Sunday with Harley Cluff and family.

Mrs. Henry Purdy moved from her farm this week to Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wilkin spent Sunday with home folks at Allensburg.

General Pence and wife and sons were guests of Jake Duckwall and family, near Hoaglands, Sunday.

Charles Orebaugh and Ed. Pence and family were callers at the home of Aunt Mahala McKee Sunday.

Mrs. Ann Pence is spending this week with Elyr Ausin and family, of Prairie Valley.

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Ethel—Why so?
Maude—He wrote opposite her name on the hotel register Suite 16.—Boston Transcript.

First Schoolboy—I say, have you read all this law about altering the capital of India?
Second Schoolboy—Rotten, I call it! More geography to swot up!—London Punch.

Figures compiled by the agricultural department show that the Australians are the biggest meateaters in the world. Naturally, because meat is cheapest there.