THE SAVIOR'S TEACHINGS — BROOKLYN TABERNACLE — BIBLE STUDIES

THE KINGDOM IN TABLEAU.

Mark ix, 2-13—Nov. 24.

"A voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is My beloved Son: hear ye Him. And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone." —Luke ix, 35.

OUR studies continue to appertain to Messiah's Kingdom of Glory. Today's lesson tells of a tableau illustration given to His disciples respecting it. The lesson deeply impressed the Apostles who witnessed the vision, Peter, James and John. St. Peter referred to it afterward in his Epistle (II Peter i, 16-19), saying, "We have not followed cunningly devised fables when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eye-witnesses of His Majesty * * * when we were with Him in the holy mount."

Jesus prepared His disciples for the transfiguration vision, saying, "There be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, until they see God's Royal Majesty having come with power." The occasion will be remembered. Jesus had foretold His death, quite contrary to the previous expectations of the Apostles, and now He sought to draw their minds gradually to a realization that His death would not mean a repudiation of the promise of the Kingdom and its glory, but a fulfilment of their expectations on a higher plane.

"This is My Beloved Son."

Jesus was to formally offer Himself to Israel as King, riding upon the ass, five days before His crucifixion, yet He would be despised and rejected and crucified; but His Kingly Office and work would thereby only be confirmed. His authority to be King of the earth, to release mankind from the power of sin and death, to uplift humanity and bring the earth to Paradise conditions, would all be founded upon His sacrificial death at Calvary.

All this was presented to the three chosen disciples. Jesus took them to the mountain-top and was transfigured before them. His flesh and His garments shone and glistened white, after the manner of angels, the vision thus representing the Lord after having experienced His resurrection change. Then with Him talked two men, "who appeared in glory," says St. Luke. In some manner the Apostles recognized these two men of the vision as Moses and Elijah. They heard these discourse with Jesus respecting His decease "which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem."

Then came a voice from the overshadowing cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, hear ye Him!" and suddenly the vision vanished. Several good lessons may have come out of this. It would be a great refreshment and strength to their faith to witness this vision, which showed them that the death Jesus had foretold, was a certainty and known of God and of Divine approval. The voice from God would also encourage their faith.

As the Apostles, with Jesus, were coming down the mountain side, wondering about the meaning of the vision they had seen, Jesus said to them, "See that ye tell no man the vision until after the Son of Man is risen from the dead." (Matthew xvii, 9.) The fact that Moses and Elijah appeared as *real* to the Apostles, as though they were in life, does not contradict the words of Jesus that what they saw was a *vision*. Remember the many visions given later on to one of these Apostles, St. John, recorded in the book of Revelation. In those visions St. John saw angels and men, heard voices, etc., just as in this vision.

The Meaning of the Vision.

We have St. Peter's words that what they saw on the mountain represented the Royal Majesty of Messiah—the Kingdom of Messiah. Moses represented the faithful of Natural Israel, the "House of Servants"—"Moses as a servant, was faithful over all his House." Elijah represented The Christ in the flesh, the House of Sons. All of the consecrated, spirit-begotten people of God during this Age are represented by Elijah, who, God promised, should come before Messiah would set up His Kingdom.

"Tell the vision to no man."

In other words, the Elijah class is composed of Jesus and all of His footstep followers throughout this Gospel Age—in their earthly or fleshly condition, Spirit-begotten, but not yet spirit born.

There is no doubt whatever respecting the Kingdom promised—that it will come; that vision on the mount confirmed it. The Kingdom merely awaits the sufferings of those who will be the members of the Body of Christ. At the Second Coming of Jesus these will be blessed and glorified; and the class represented by Moses will also be blessed and used as instruments of the Kingdom. Thus in the vision the entire Kingdom was represented: first of all, by Jesus Himself; secondly by Elijah, who represented the Church class; and thirdly by Moses, who represented the faithful on the earthly plane.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS

The Holt residence on North Kimball avenue was again the scene of a delightful social function when Mrs. Ralph Scatterday and Mrs. Merrill Holt were hostesses at a four course luncheon, Thursday week, at 1:30 o'clock. With a touch of exquisite taste the arrangement of the table decorations were perfected by the appropriation of beautiful ornamental pepper plants. The favors for all the guests were small pink and white baskets filled with mints. The hostesses were assisted in serving by the Misses Martha Price, Bess Price, Mary Cupp and Bertra Cupp. After luncheon military 500 was entered into with unusual zest. Seated at the winning table were Mesdames W. C. Hunter, W. P. Lyon, Leonard Botkin and Miss Canter. The prizes were dainty hand-embroidered handkerchiefs. The invited guests were Mesdames Ithamer Andrews, Jas. Munro, of Vale Oregon, J. H. Elston, S. Vanhyning, L. J. Ross, Nellie Williams, Henry Zeh, Griffin, John Plowhead, W. C. Dyer, W. E. Parker, T. J. Jackson, F. Hoffman, B. W. Henry, Gilbert Shelby, W. J. Ross, Fred Boyes, L. W. Botkin, E. A. Clark, H. T. French, W. C. Hunter, J. Williamson, F. A. Hagelin, of Nampa, W. P. Lyon, Gigray, Peterson, of Portland, Edward Hedden, C. S. Doan, Robt. Farrar, Swain Beaty, and the Misses Boulware, Kelleher, Genevieve Flynn, Stewart, Opal Stewart, Canter and Madden.

The Misses Lela Hay and Nora Devers attended a play at Boise last Friday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Case went to Washoe Thursday, for a short visit with Prof. and Mrs. H. T. French, and to be present at the opening of the community school, of which Prof. H. T. French has charge at that place. Rev. Case gave the principal address on the program and Mrs. Case appeared in a reading and vocal selection. There are fifty students in the school and three teachers are employed to instruct them in the various lines.

Miss Lelia Hay spent the week-end in Boise, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Clem Paine.

Miss Helen Ketchen will be at home to her friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Horn. Miss McGregor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clark, and Miss Scott at the home of Judge and Mrs. Henry.

Donald Merritt visited friends in Nampa Sunday.

Chas. F. Madden spent the past week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chas. P. Hartley, at Emmett.

Miss Z. Fay Fowler, County Superintendent of Canyon county, remained after the teachers meeting, Saturday, for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Kimbrough.

W. E. Boulton and family came in last week from their farm east of town, and will spend the winter at their residence on Albany St.

Mrs. Moudy of the Ackley Inn has been ill this week.

Lawrence Wallace, who broke a toe while playing basketball Thursday, was able to return to school again the first of the week.

Miss Helen Ketchen, teacher of the 4th grade of the Van Buren school, was surprised by her pupils with a delightful supper, which was served in the office of the building on Wednesday after school. The affair is said to have been the first of its kind ever held in the city. Games were enjoyed until the happy children were reminded of home by the lateness of the hour.

The ladies of the Methodist Aid Society entertained their husbands at a supper in the Sunday school room of the church Wednesday evening of last week.

Miss Thompson, of Midway, was a guest in the home of her brother, J. M. Thompson, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Orr, of Nampa, were down Sunday evening to attend church services in the city. Mrs. Orr was well known to her Caldwell friends as Miss Harriett Church, before her recent marriage to Mr. Orr.

The Misses Scott, Harris and Brush were dinner guests of Miss Madden at the Saratoga hotel Friday evening.

Mrs. J. J. Walling of Nampa, visited friends here Saturday. She drove with relatives to the cemetery in the afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Frost returned Saturday evening after several days spent on business in Boise. Mrs. Frost expects to go to her home in Gilroy, California, before the holidays.

Miss Elizabeth O'Connor went to Boise Saturday to visit a friend who is seriously ill in one of the hospitals at that place.

Mrs. J. D. Quick returned from Pendleton, Oregon, last Thursday in the evening. Mrs. Quick was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Louise Heath and child.

The old-fashioned neighborhood surprise party has come into vogue again if one is to judge from the number of surprises that have occurred recently. Monday evening at 6:30 o'clock, a number of intimate friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Walker took their well-filled dinner baskets and assembled at the Walker home to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Walker's wedding. The gift was an attractive electric stove. Seated at the dinner table were Dr. and Mrs. Kaley, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Devers, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Simpson, the Misses Flynn, Stewart, Opal Stewart, Platt, Kaley and Messrs. Gates and Alfred Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hawkes went to Nampa Tuesday to visit at the home of Mrs. Hawke's cousin, Mr. Lytle. Mrs. Hawkes was surprised recently to find that her cousin was located in Nampa.

Jake Horn, Ralph Scatterday, and A. A. Binford made a trip to Arrowrock Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. Merritt and daughter, Dorothy, were Boise visitors last Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Morris, and baby, and Mrs. Young, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mrs. Zilpha Miller Saturday.

8 per cent money for good farm loans.—A. I. Myers, the loan man.

The Baptist Young people gave a fudge party at the church last Tuesday evening, as a birthday surprise to Miss Myra McDonald. Games were played during the evening. Those present were the intimate friends of the guest of honor.

The senior class of the high school will have a costume party at the gymnasium Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

Miss Elvira Clambey spent Thursday and Friday the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Morris, of Boise.

Sunday night at the Baptist church the Missionary circle gave a very pleasing program. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. W. E. Platt, who also made the pricipal address. Papers were read by Mrs. Stalker and Mrs. A. E. Gipson.

Dr. and Mrs. Gigray, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. L. M. Olmstead, and Misses Rae Olmstead, Geneve Gordon, Elvira Clamby and Clarence Biggs, were among the Caldwellites who attended the Gadski concert at Boise, the 14th inst.

Chas. Harding and Leslie Marsh came down from Arrowrock Tuesday.

Miss Elvira Clambey and Clarence Biggs were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Morris, of Boise.

A pleasing vocal duet was given by Mesdames Stalker and McNair. Several musical selections were given by the choir.

Miss Sheldon and Miss Deborah Steelman, of the college faculty, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Day, of Middleton, Thursday evening.

The following teachers were registered at the meeting of the southern division of the teachers of Canyon county, which met at the high school, Saturday, November 16. It will be noted that most of the Caldwell teachers were present: W. G. Brooks, Caldwell; Amy L. Madden, Caldwell; Rose D. Harris, Caldwell; Margaret Gipson, Caldwell; Edith Engle, Caldwell; Laura Patton, Caldwell; B. Catherine Cook, Caldwell; Lillian Nicholson, Caldwell; Mrs. Mrs. Kimbrough, Caldwell; Vivian J. Brown, Caldwell; Charlotte E. Tuttle, Nampa; Caroline C. Hastings, Nampa; Nellie Lindsay, Nampa; Z. Fay Fowler, Nampa; Ethel Berry, Nampa; Hessie Ward, Nampa; Lucie L. Lee, Caldwell; Vena Joy Caldwell, Parma; Bertha Livingston, Caldwell; Mertis L. Riddle, Caldwell; Christine Boggs, Nampa; Oral Seburn, Meridian; Bertha L. Sayler, Caldwell; Carrie Bow, Caldwell; Carrie A. Brush, Caldwell; Winnie Baird, Caldwell; Margaret Nichol, Caldwell; E. J. Cummings, Middleton; O. C. Robertson, Caldwell, J. A. Barrett, Ten Davis; Bessie Mammen, Parma; Cleora Campbell, Parma; Amy Sherman, Parma; Grace Barley, Parma; Francis E. Fisk, Parma; J. J. Caldwell, Parma; Bess Harper, Caldwell; W. R. Taylor, Greenleaf; Mary Campbell, Parma; Mary C. Merrill, Parma; J. L. Streets, Caldwell; Lena Hartkopf, Parma; Venna Patterson, Nampa; J. V. Elliott, Nampa; Mrs. Nampa; Lydia Morgan, Nampa; Amanda A. Wolfe, Nampa; Lyda A. Thompson, Midway; Gladys Neely, Nampa; Chas. E. Green, Caldwell, R. A. Demar, Caldwell; Vera McVey, Caldwell; Bartlett McCool, Caldwell; Mamie Bayer, Wilder; Julia I. Clark, Sunny Slope; Mae G. Besecker, Maple Grove; Juanita Stewart, Caldwell; Louella E. Beals, Greenleaf; Malory Steelman, Caldwell; George Wells Smith, Kuna; Ethel Rayburn Caldwell; Myrtle M. Mussell, Caldwell; Susie B. Crowther, Parma; Myrtle Hastings Shea, Nampa; Ora Van Buskirk, Nampa; J. C. Adair, Nampa; Georgia McFarland, Caldwell; Alta McGuire, Caldwell; Mary, McClenahan, Caldwell; Isabelle Smith, Roswell; Anna A. Meade, Nampa; Mabel M. Baird, Nampa; Effie V. Stanford, Nampa; Margaret Knowlton, Nampa; Jennie McCain, Nampa; J. T. Smith, Caldwell; Lena F. Kraus, Parma; Glenn M. Eidenmiller, Parma; Ruth M. Randall, Middleton; Emma Carron, Star; Neal N. Nash, Caldwell; Eugenia Dryden, Bowmont; Celia Cowen, Parma; A. C. Voelker, Nampa; Alma E. Crowther, Fruitland; Iola Wescott, Fruitland; Walter S. Baker, Caldwell; Helen Ketchen, Caldwell; V. Meldo Hillis, Nampa; Helen Bradley, Wilder; Grace Long, Apple Valley; Minnie A. Leigh, Parma; Delta M. Slaneker, Caldwell; E. E. Little, Notus; Pearl Johnston, Notus; Lela E. Painter, Middleton; Eda C. Gorrie, Middleton.

Mrs. Lyke and little daughter, Ruth, of Middleton, were visitors in the Magic City last Friday.

Mr. Chris Jensen came in from Homedale the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. Jim Pegram of Homedale, was in town Friday.

Mrs. James McConnell and two children, of Ola, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Lura Wheeler.

Mr. Ed. Potter and Mr. H. R. Cleaver were out of town visitors last Friday.

Mr. Roy Myler was in town Friday.

Martin Jensen is improving his 5-acre tract east of town.

Hugh Lee, of Homedale, was in town Friday.

Mrs. G. B. Adams of Fargo, was a visitor Friday.

The Methodist people have been making improvements with the heating appratus at the Methodist church, making things more comfortable for the congregation. They will now be able to heat the building quicker.

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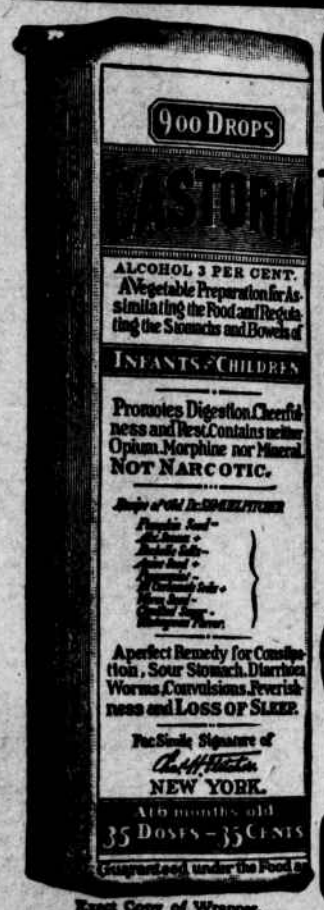

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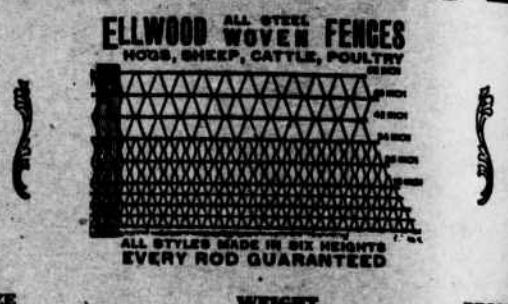

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