

# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MAY 16

DAVID SPARES SAUL.

LESSON TEXT—1 Samuel 26:5-16. GOLDEN TEXT—Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you.—Luke 6:27.

Professor Beecher gives 1065 B. C. as the date of this lesson and the death of Samuel. Saul had been on the throne 37 years and David was twenty-seven years of age. There are ten famous episodes between the lesson of last week and that of today. (1) David and the shew-bread; (2) Goliath's sword; (3) David feigns madness (ch. 21); (4) The cave of Adullam; (5) His care of his parents; (6) The killing of the priests (ch. 22); (7) Wandering in the wilderness (ch. 23); (8) The cutting of Saul's robe (ch. 24); (9) Nabal's churlishness, and (10) Abigail's kindness (ch. 25). It might be well to have one scholar give a summary of each of these events.

I. David and Abigail, vv. 5-7.—Once before, the Ziphites had informed Saul as to David's whereabouts (23:19). Learning that Saul evidently intended to follow him into the wilderness (v. 4), David sent spies to learn the exact location of Saul and the 3,000 men under command of Abner. Abner was a cousin of Saul, a brave man with a remarkable history. Unwittingly they had placed themselves in David's power, and that for a second time (24:3-8). Like the camp of the Midianites which Gideon visited, Saul and his men were scattered about sleeping "within the place of the wagons" (v. 5 R. V.), with Saul in the center, the spear marking his resting place and the bolster beneath his head. Doubtless Saul trusted Abner's protection, but no arm of flesh can save or protect a sinful man. From a neighboring rock David and his friends could distinguish the spear and the outlines of the camp. David's challenge was directed to both of his companions. Ahimelech, the Hittite, declined the summons, whereas Abigail, David's nephew who had already proved himself in the affair at the well (II Samuel 23:13-16) and later became a leading figure in David's kingdom, accepted the challenge.

II. David and Saul, vv. 8-12.—Abigail was quite right that God had delivered Saul into David's hand (v. 8), but he was wrong in his conclusion as to what the result would be. God delivered Saul that he might, if possible, save him. It was a challenge that tested David's magnanimity, his sense of honor and also an event wherein he could appeal to Saul's honor. Abigail's anger is evident from her words, "I will not smite him the second time." There was ample provocation, but David recognized in this experience the hand of God, nor would he profit by another's hand upraised "against the Lord's anointed" (v. 9). A conscience less keen could have found an excuse for allowing another to strike a blow to his own profit. Saul was rejected of Jehovah, yet David preferred to let Jehovah execute his own decrees (ch. 24:15 cf. Ps. 105:15).

III. David and Abner, vv. 13-16.—Returning to his vantage point, doubtless the brow of a hill on the opposite side of the valley, a point of safety, David awakened the sleeping camp. Abner replied, "Who art thou?" This cry sounds strangely like the present-day replies to the challenge of our David when a sleeping camp of sin is aroused. This call came at night. When our King shall return his visit will be unexpected and at night (I Thess. 5:2-4; Rev. 16:15). It would seem like a humiliation for this proud, haughty general, Abner, to be taunted by David (v. 15). As chief officer he was responsible for the king's safety and his life. David therefore might well reproach and chide him, for his lack of fidelity was worthy of death. When Saul was thoroughly awake to the fact of David's visit to his camp and the fact that his life had been spared, he was moved to another one of his moments of repentance (vv. 17-21).

IV. The Result, vv. 17-25.—David's address to Saul, is a remarkable one. He first appeals to reason (v. 18) and desires to know what, if any, fault he has committed. He next challenges the motives which impelled Saul. Was it God who sent him on this journey or was it the evil counsel of men (v. 19)? If this latter then let God deal with them according to "their just deserts." And, finally, David uses the two similes of a flea and a nar-tridge as evidence of his humility, his inoffensiveness, his harmlessness (Luke 14:11).

### WANTED BY THE SALOON!

One hundred boys for new customers. Most of our old customers are rapidly dropping out. Ten committed suicide last week. Twenty are in jail; eight are in the chain-gang. Fifteen were sent to the poorhouse; one was hanged. Three were sent to the insane asylum. Most of the balance are not worth fooling with—they have no money. We must have new customers—fresh, young blood.

### EXAMPLE SET BY TEACHER

Responsibility of Those in Charge of the Youth of the Country is a Great One.

Few teachers realize the extent to which their students, whether in the primary grades or the university, are following their examples. It is related of William R. Harper, well-known member president of Chicago university, that he was brought to a realization of his responsibility in the following manner:

When he was afflicted with cancer and knew that there was nothing before him but a hopeless, lingering illness, he decided that the best thing to do was to take things into his own hands and end it all. He confided his decision to a friend of his, a man who had a broader vision on this point than the great president himself. He referred President Harper to the many students who had been under his influence and said, "Among all these thousands many will face a crisis similar to the one which you face now. Many will reach the decision which you have reached, or they will think, 'It is all right; Prexy did it.'" Doctor Harper saw his responsibility at once and said, "I'll stick it out." What a great thing it would be if all teachers were willing to bear as much as this, in order that their lives might be better examples for those who may come under their influence.

### INVISIBLE INKS ARE MANY

The Two Simplest Are Milk and Water—Chemical Substances That May Be Employed.

It is strange that two separate cases—one a military case and the other a domestic one—should bring the out-of-the-way subject of invisible ink before the British public, says the Manchester Guardian. In more romantic days (not so very long ago) invisible ink was a favorite precaution of sentimental youth—usually, of course, a quite unnecessary precaution. The two simplest and handiest invisible inks are milk and water. If you write your letter with a clean pen in milk it will dry off quite invisibly. But the writing will show up in a faint brown when it is toasted at the fire. If you write in water, the way to make the writing visible is to sprinkle the sheet with fine coal dust or powdered charcoal.

There are, besides, various chemical invisible inks. A weak solution of cobalt used as ink remains invisible until the paper is heated, when it shows up red. The red can be changed to green by steaming it or breathing on it. A solution of salts of lead or bismuth makes an invisible ink which shows up black when treated with sulphuretted hydrogen. Another recipe is to write in a weak solution of tannic acid. When dipped in a bath of persalt of iron the writing comes out black.

### Reason and Caprice.

Edmund Burke says: "Taking the whole view of life, it is more safe to live under the jurisdiction of severe but steady reason than under the empire of indulgent but capricious passion." Such wisdom should be proclaimed these days for the practice is decidedly against it. Men are not inclined to conduct their lives in accordance with "severe but steady reason," but under the influence of the very opposite passion. And the times and customs seem to prepare men for "indulgent but capricious lives." In fact, inventive genius is largely employed in preparing motives and attractions toward these capricious lives. If there is a lecture or a prayer meeting appointed for a certain night and a banquet or a dance for the same time, the stream of attendance is toward the latter. Between the church service and the automobile ride the latter is chosen too often among people of religious tendencies. It is the rule of this choice that makes necessary so many social reforms. It is the difference between the steady reason and the capricious passion, as Burke points out.—Ohio State Journal.

### When Mind Meets Mind.

The crash of onyx upon porphyry, the dull thumping of empty cocoanuts, the shrill whistle of windmills in a gale, the howling of tom-cats, the explosion of red-hot bladders, the bleating of sheep on lonely moors, the clash of tin swords, the rattling of dumb-waiters, the braying of jackasses, the snorting of hippopotamuses, the squeaking of hautboys and bagpipes, the gurgling of cat jugsulars, the cracking of scierotic knees, the blowing up and busting of logic, the torture and death of the English language . . . a meeting of the house of representatives of the United States.—H. L. Mencken in the Smart Set.

### Causes of Poverty.

Is poverty caused by psychological phenomena, or is it the result, asks the bureau of municipal research, of improvident buying; extravagant expenditure of limited incomes; unec-nomical management of the household; lack of knowledge of cost of nourishing diet; not knowing what work to do; inability to find jobs to meet conditions; temporary bankruptcy; an empty pocket—and bread box—with the resultant loss of desire for effort; lack of knowledge about infant care and feeding; disheartening doctors and medicine bills for the need-lessly sick; lack of encouragement from others besides the discouraged?

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### Her Objection.

"So Maude has come back from the front as a Red Cross nurse?"

"Yes, indeed. She said if she did all the horrid things they wanted her to do, she would have been a perfect sight whenever the photographers for the papers came around. So she quit."

### Not Asking Much.

"So you are ambitious to have a little garden?"

"Yes."

"You ought to get a lot of pleasure out of it."

"I don't expect to get any pleasure out of it, but if I can get a few beets and turnips in return for a great deal of hard work I'll be satisfied."

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### His Overtime.

"I see you claim one hour's overtime, Bill," said the master of the mill. "How's that? I thought no one worked overtime this week."

Bill passed a horny hand across his mouth.

"Quite right, guv'nor," he replied. "One hour's me due."

The master regarded him suspiciously.

"Come, when was it?" he inquired.

"Last Thursday," responded Bill. "I was sent up to your own 'ouse to 'elp shake the carpets."

"Yes; I remember that distinctly," cut in the boss; "but you got off at six sharp."

"Ah, that's true, guv'nor, as far as it goes," assented the man; "but your missus give me a 'alf a meat pie to take 'ome, an' that there hour is for bringin' the dish back!"—Sallie Her-rick, Ontario.

## SAVED FROM KNIFE BY WONDERFUL REMEDY

Fearing an Operation, Fannie Rupert Tries Treatment and Laughs At Surgeons.

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### Too Ripe.

"What is the main point of a censor's job?"

"I guess it's incensing people."

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Noah played a great game. He drew pairs and got a full house.

### SUBJECT FOR BILL NYE'S WIT

Humorist Made Bright Verse Out of Question Theatrical People Come to Dread.

Anybody connected with the amusement world will tell you that the deadliest and most maddening question is, "Where do you go from here?" Bill Nye, touring the country with James Whitcomb Riley, had a great many one-night stands to visit, and came to suffer acutely through the insistent repetition of this boob query. At last he wrote the appended verse, which, it is believed, never found life in print:

"Where do you go from here?" asks the landlord of our hotel. And "Where do you go from here?" asks the boy who answers the bell. And "Where do you go from here?" Oh! Lord, and "Where do you go from here?"

Till in fancy we stand at the last command, quaking with sudden fear. And St. Peter says, "Oh, you're those lecturers. Where do you go from here?"

### Enjoying Life in Trenches.

A soldier writes back: "Life in the trenches is fairly enjoyable if you know how to appreciate it."

"Yes, indeed; life is worth while anywhere, if you make the best of it. The trenches offer peculiar opportunities for enjoying life. Living from minute to minute is intense, conscious living, replete with satisfaction. Every minute is as precious as though it was going to be the last. And the values of contrast heighten the zest for breathing. Just to be alive is keen joy in the trenches, surpassed only by the joy of living remote from the trenches."

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### Accounting for Tastes.

Bacon—I see expert French butter tasters claim they can perceive the flavor of the soil over which cattle feed.

Egbert—Must have sort of a taste of shrapnel now.

### A Young Skeptic.

Caller—Marjorie, if you drink so much tea you will be an old maid.

Marjorie—I don't believe that at all. Mamma drinks lots of tea and she's been married twice an' isn't an old maid yet.

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Every man knows how different he would act if he were some other individual.

The things a man forgets are those he wishes he could remember.

For bad burns Hanford's Balsam is used to give quick relief. Adv.

The Almighty puts long tails on horses and man cuts them off.

### Mirrors Protect Bank Vaults.

In constructing a vault in the basement of one of the Los Angeles banks, a plan has been followed which makes the six sides of the chamber visible to a watchman and eliminates all chances of its being entered by tunneling beneath it. It is set on concrete columns in the middle of a white-tiled pit which is brightly illuminated. To make it possible to command a view of the space beneath the vault, from the level above, mirrors have been arranged on the floor at such an angle that every part of the space is reflected in them. Light is reflected by the white walls so that the top of the vault is illuminated and easily inspected.

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### Heir, Not a Gale.

The guide suddenly halted the party of Americans.

"Ah, there comes the heir to the throne," he said, removing his hat as a royal equipage appeared.

The little boy of the party nudged his mother and whispered:

"Did he take off his hat for fear the air would blow it off?"

### It Is Good for Man.

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### The Pessimist.

Payton—A bachelor is a man who has been crossed in love.

Parker—Yes, and a married man has been double-crossed.—Life.

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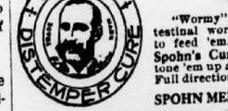
If she doesn't own a mirror she has lost all interest in life.

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"Where is the man?" said Opportunity.

"Come! I've no time to lose."

"You're the very one he's looking for," said the woman. "But—he's occupied."

"You're his wife, aren't you. Tell him to come."

"He won't believe me. He'll think I'm mistaken. He'll think you are someone else."

"Oh, please don't go. I'll tell him. I'll try to convince him who you are. Give me a little time."

"That isn't my fault. I've done my duty. Good-day."

Just at this moment the man rushed out and grabbed Opportunity. Then he turned roughly to his wife.

"Why didn't you let me know she was knocking?" he said. "Why, she almost got away. Just like you!"—Life.

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