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LESSON FOR MAY 9

FRIENDSHIP OF DAVID AND JONATHAN.

LESSON TEXT—1 Samuel 20:32-42. GOLDEN TEXT—A friend loveth at all times.—Prov. 17:17.

There is perhaps no narrative in all history or literature which so perfectly illustrates the conditions of friendship as this which is before us. Jonathan was every inch a man; affectionate, sweet and tender, deeply pious and withal loyal to both duty and friends. His rights, as the king's son, he gladly set aside for David, whom he "loved as his own soul" (ch. 18:3; 20:17). Jonathan is a great type of the surrendered life (ch. 23:17).

1. David's Danger, vv. 32-35. Three times in the previous chapter (vv. 5, 14, 30) we read that David "behaved himself wisely." "His eyes David" (v. 19) and his jealous anger grew as he gave vent to his hate. Jonathan's desires for David drew the anger of Saul (20:30), but it only put him more upon his guard and made him more determined, if possible, to save both David and Saul.

Following David's escape (18:18) he consulted Jonathan regarding his safety (20:1-10). They renewed their covenant and swore fealty to each other and to those of their households (vv. 11-17). It is a standing rebuke that Christians treat so lightly their covenants with the church and with the world. David was safe at Naioth (19:18-24), for each company sent after him, and Saul himself, were hindered by the Spirit of Jehovah from carrying out Saul's foul designs. This seemed for the moment to humble Saul (20:1; Ps. 97:1). Jonathan, though great and mighty, was not strong enough to deliver his friend from the renewed wrath of his father. "Vain is the help of man." "Our help is in the Lord." Jonathan showed his true friendship in that he told the exact state of affairs to David (v. 10).

When Saul became convinced that Jonathan was taking David's part, he tried to kill Jonathan and revealed the mother who bore him (v. 30). In his loss of self-control Saul allowed David to escape. Even so, sin overshoots its mark. The contrast is a dark one to contemplate.

2. David Delivered, vv. 35-42. Jonathan did not revile again (v. 34) when insulted and assailed by his father, and his manifestation of just anger (for his mother was reviled) was quite different from that of his father. Any attempt to reconcile Saul to David (v. 34) was a useless exposure to danger and for Jonathan to be seen with his friend would imperil his own life. This explains the expedient of shooting arrows in the field. Jonathan shot his arrows "beyond," i. e., David must go "beyond" and out of the reach of Saul. David trusted Jonathan's fidelity (v. 23) when the test came, though Jonathan might have good reason for playing him false in order to promote his own interests.

Dismissing the boy, Jonathan drew near to David's hiding place, to the south of the stone Ezel (v. 41 R. V.), where a most touching parting took place between these two friends. First of all David bowed ceremoniously three times, touching his head to the ground, perhaps to show his unshaken loyalty to Jonathan as the king's son. This was but for a moment; as men of the East and friends, they rushed to each other's arms and wept for a long time. These were the many tears of two brave men not afraid to show their love and emotions. It has been suggested that Jonathan should have accompanied David as God's elect (Heb. 13:13), but we feel that duty bade him to remain by the side of his sin-stricken father.

The Lessons of the Lesson. True friendship costs. God's love gave to the world his Son. Jonathan's friendship for David was costly, but was given gladly, not grudgingly. True friendship neither forgets duty nor neglects its desire towards the object of its love. It is not governed emotionally, yet it disregards all other ties, if they are wrong. Not even a father or mother should lead us to wrong a friend. When David came into power he remembered the everlasting covenant made with Jonathan (II Sam. 9:3). Our "Son of David" has made a similar covenant with us (Acts 16:31; 2:39). True friendship is of slow growth, but is not easily killed, chilled by reverses, nor frozen by adversity (Prov. 18:24). True friendship is unselfish. It gives and does not seek.

True friendship is founded upon religion and the best friend, the ideal friend, is Jesus Christ.

That friendship which is based upon oaths, ritual and dues is not abiding, nor true friendship, for it excludes all who fail to possess the same password or a sufficient amount of money. That friendship which is based upon expediency, or a quid pro quo, is by no means true friendship; it is as ephemeral as the morning mist and as frail as a chain of sand.

The friendship which has as its common center God's best boon, the friendship of his Son, will, if it is true and genuine, abide forever.

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Oolenoy News Notes

Oolenoy, April 29.—At a very early hour on last Sunday morning, when the moon and stars were keeping watch over a sleeping world, a lone man in a shakily buggy, drawn by a little red mule, was quietly wending his way along the mountain road. Indeed, he seemed to be enjoying the quiet hour to the fullest until suddenly confronted by Rural Policeman J. T. McKinney and our magistrate's constable, S. A. Burgess. Upon search it was found that he had in his possession several gallons of so-called "mountain dew." He was carried to the county jail, where he remained until he gave bond. This is the first visit of the rural policeman, who has just recently received his appointment, but the citizens feel confident that much good in the way of law and order will be accomplished by him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. M. Keith spent the week-end with the latter's brother, Mr. Silas Robertson, of the Peters Creek section. Mr. Robertson is critically ill and little or no hope is held for his recovery.

Hon. and Mrs. Matthew Hendrix attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, Mr. Edward W. Keeler, on Monday at Ebenezer church. Mr. Keeler was well and favorable known in this vicinity and his death is a source of much lament.

Mr. S. E. Keith spent Sunday with his uncle Mr. Silas Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Edens were visitors at the county seat last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Keith spent the week-end in Pickens as the guest of their sister Mrs. Jesse Morris.

Paul Edens was in Greenville on business the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Burgess were in Pickens Friday.

Miss Lois Crenshaw is at home after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Dr. Smith of Newry.

Miss Pearl Southerland, a popular and energetic pupil of the graded school here, who is continuing her work in the Pickens graded school, is expected home for the week-end.

W. N. Jones, of Easley, agent for the Ford automobile was here this week in the interest of his business. It is very probable that he will make some deals.

Robinson-Watkins

The wedding of Miss Pearl Robinson and Mr. Hubbard Watkins last Thursday evening, 22, at 7 o'clock at the parsonage of the Central Baptist church in Greenville was intended as a surprise to their friends here. Rev. S. T. Matthews officiated.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Sallie Robinson of Liberty and is a young lady of charming personality. She has been the popular telephone operator for the Southern Bell for the past ten years and has many friends who are loath to give her up.

Mr. Watkins is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Watkins and has been operator for the Southern railway at this place for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Watkins left immediately after the ceremony for Washington and Baltimore. After April 27 they will be at home to their friends at Swanee, Ga.—Liberty Gazette.

The Scandal Monger

"So strong, so swift, the monster there's no gagging; Cut off Scandal's head, still the tongue is wagging."

How many times have all of us had occasion to realize the truth of Garrick's unique rhyme. The cause of gossip may be abated, but once a scandal has started, like a prairie fire, there's no stopping it.

The subject is of pertinent interest because of a very recent affair in this city. A shooting scrape in an office building is explained on the ground that trouble between the two men was engendered by idle, if not malicious gossip.

How easy it all starts—the mere raising of the eyebrows is sufficient. The next man shrugs his shoulders, and the third gives vent to some exclamation. Finally, it is a matter of gossip, then downright scandal, and in the end a woman's good name is blackened, a man's reputation ruined, or the standing of a business house menaced.

"Tale-bearers are as bad as tale-makers," said Sheridan, but modern opinion is that they are a great deal worse. When one has only laid the foundation for a fire, the other fans it into a conflagration.

A scandal monger should be despised of all men and women.—Macon News.

"I'm sorry, but I advertised for a Scandinavian cook," said Mrs. White. "Lard sake!" replied Paralsia Pearl Waddles. "What diffunce do it make what a lady's nation am, dess so's she km cook?"—Judge.

Piedmont Association Meeting

The next union meeting of the Piedmont association will be held with Corinth No. 1 the fifth Sunday in May and Saturday before.

Program as follows: Saturday, 10 a. m. Song and prayer service by S. T. Tollison. 10.30. Introductory sermon by Rev. E. V. Babb. Alternate, Rev. T. E. Clyde. 11.30. Organization. A adjourn for dinner.

1.30. First subject. Can a deacon be successful and fill his office according to the teaching of scripture, who is not liberal with his means according to his ability, and should a member who is not thus liberal, be set apart by a church as a deacon? Speakers, Hon. Laban Mauldin and Hon. J. Ashmore Hinton. Then open for general discussion.

Second subject. The duty of church members to support their pastors and all the interests fostered by their denomination. Speakers, Rev. F. R. McClannahan and H. D. Singleton. Then open for general discussion.

Sunday, 9.30 a. m. Song and prayer service by Eugene Connelly.

10 a. m. Sunday school mass meeting.

First subject. How to build and hold a Sunday school class, by D. B. Cobb.

Second subject. How to teach the lesson, by E. P. McCravey.

11 a. m. Missionary sermon by Rev. T. E. Durham. Alternate, Rev. D. I. Spearman. J. T. ROBINSON, For Committee.

Union Meeting

The next union meeting of the Pickens association will meet with the Peters Creek church the fifth Sunday in May and Saturday before. The following program will be used:

Saturday, 10 a. m.—Devotion-service by J. P. Robinson; 10.30, organization; 10.40, the qualifications and duties of a pastor, by J. A. Griffin and J. R. Connelly; 11, the qualifications and duties of deacons, by Rev. D. W. Hiett and Rev. Hunnicutt; 2 p. m., Interpretation of I Cor. 6-12, by Rev. Hunnicutt; miscellaneous business; adjournment.

Sunday, 9.30 a. m.—Prayer and praise service, led by W. E. Nelson; 10, a talk on the Sunday school lesson by C. E. Robinson; 10.30, song service for 15 minutes; 10.45, discussion of the church covenant, led by J. T. Taylor; 11.15, song service, 10 minutes; 11.25, missionary sermon by Rev. D. W. Hiett or his alternate, Rev. Hunnicutt.

The afternoon will be devoted to praise service. Some of the leading singers will be present. Every church in the association is requested to send a full delegation, and the speakers on the foregoing subjects are urged to be present and fill the places assigned them. EX. COM.

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News item says a farmer was robbed of eleven dollars in Greenville recently. It must have been recently, as the last time we were in Greenville we couldn't find a man there who had more than eleven cents.—Pickens Sentinel. Are we to infer from this that you relieved him of that amount?—Greenville News.

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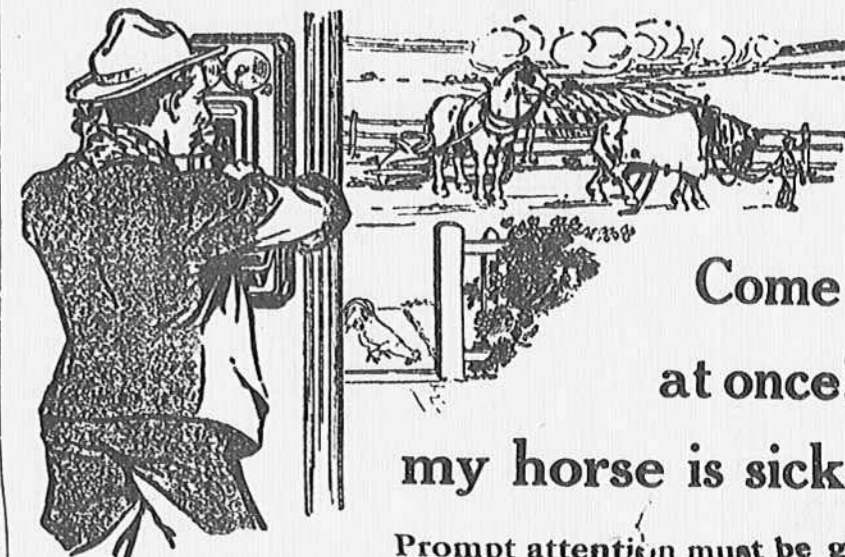
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