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LESSON FOR MAY 16

DAVID SPARES SAUL.

LESSON TEXT—I 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

i. David and Abishai, 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 them selves 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 scat tered 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 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 Abishai, 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 king dom, accepted the challenge

II. David and Saul, vv. 8-12.-Abisha was quite right that God had delivered Saul into David's hand (v. 8), but what that meant. God delivered Saul It was a challenge that tested David's to Saul's honor. Abishai's anger is evident from his 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 leading singers will be present. Lord's anointed" (v. 9). A conscience less keen could have found an excuse tion is requested to send a full for allowing another to strike a blow 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,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 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 moved to another one of his moments

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 ne 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 partridge as evidence of his humility, his inoffensiveness, his harmlessness , (Luke 14:11).

Every sinner who fights against God and against his anointed ones "plays the fool" and will sooner or later, like Saul, awaken to the fact that he has

erred exceedingly." David did not undertake his own deiverance and "the Lord delivered him out of all his troubles" (v. 24: Ps. 18). David's last message to Saul as he bade them to send for his spear was a declaration of innocence and a prayer that God would give him safety even as Saul's life had been spared. Saul's final word was a blessing and a prophecy of David's ultimate tri-

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10.30. Introductory sermon by Rev. E. V. Babb. Alternate, Rev. T. E. Clyde.

11.30. Organization. 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. McClannanan and H. D. Singleton. Then open for general discussion.

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

10 a. m. Sunday school mass

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,

Union Meeting

For Committee.

The next union meeting of he 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. Hiott and Rev. Hunnicutt; 2 p. m., Interpretation of 1 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. Robthat he might, if possible, save him. inson; 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. Hiott or his alternate, Rev. Hunnicutt. The afternoon will be devoted

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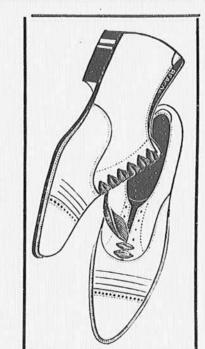
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