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Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for June 10

THE ARREST AND TRIAL

LESSON TEXT—Mark 14:43-15:15.
GOLDEN TEXT—He was despised, and rejected of men (Isa. 53:3).
PRIMARY TOPIC—How Wicked Men Treated Jesus.
JUNIOR TOPIC—The Trial of Jesus.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Trial of Jesus.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Jesus Facing His Enemies.

I. The Betrayal and Arrest (vv. 43-52).

1. The sign to the mob (vv. 43-47).

With the basest hypocrisy Judas pointed out Jesus to the mob by a kiss, the sign of love.

2. Jesus forsaken by all (vv. 48-52).

At the sight of His betrayal, one of Jesus' disciples attempted to defend Him by resorting to the sword, but seeing that He made no attempt at resistance they all fled. Their courage failed them in the hour of trial. How little man knows of his own weakness until the crucial hour comes.

II. Jesus Before the Sanhedrin (vv. 53-65).

1. Contradictory testimony of false witnesses (vv. 53-59).

The chief priests and all the council sought for witnesses against Jesus to put Him to death, but they found none because there was no unity of testimony. They accused Him of having declared that within three days He would build again the temple if it were destroyed.

2. The high priest's questions (vv. 60-65).

(1) "What is it that these witness against Thee?"

To this Jesus was silent, showing that no evidence had yet been given worthy of an answer.

(2) "Art thou the Christ?"

To this He definitely replied, "I am," and quoted a Scripture passage which they recognized as referring to the Messiah. This claim they answered with buffeting and the most shameful treatment.

III. Peter Denies His Lord (vv. 66-72).

Though Peter loved Jesus, yet in the hour of supreme trial he failed. Grevious as his sin was, it was not like that of Judas. His failure was due to:

1. Boasting self-confidence (vv. 29-31).
2. Lack of watchfulness (v. 37).
3. Neglect of prayer (v. 38).
4. Service in the energy of the flesh (v. 47).
5. Following Jesus afar off (v. 54).
6. Seeking comfort among the Lord's enemies (v. 67, cf. Luke 22:55).
7. Open denial (vv. 68-72). His backsliding really began when he shrank from the cross.

IV. Jesus Arraigned Before Pilate (15:1-15).

In the early morning after the trial before the high priest they bound Jesus and delivered Him to Pilate. They acted freely in this according to the evil desires of their own hearts, yet He was delivered up by the determined counsel and foreknowledge of God (Acts 2:23). The Jews would gladly have killed Him, but they had not the authority to do so. They delivered Him to the Gentile governor, thus involving the Jews and the Gentiles in the crowning act of the world's sin. Pilate questioned Him without delay for they accused Him of pretending to be a king. "Thou sayest," was His only reply. To the slanderous accusations of the chief priests and elders He made no reply, to the utter astonishment of Pilate. Pilate sought to release Him because he was convinced of His innocence. After several unsuccessful efforts to escape responsibility, the expedient of letting the people choose between Barabbas and Jesus was resorted to. He no doubt thought that Jesus would be chosen rather than the notorious Barabbas.

Cast Thyself at His Feet

The fever of worldliness that burns in the blood, the ill-temper, the unkindness, the impatience, the dreadful malady of avarice that turns the heart to stone, the dim vision of Himself, the fretting fear, the foolish envy—how loathsome in His sight is that of which we make so little! Cast thyself at His feet until He make thee clean!—Mark Guy Pearse.

Our Obedience

God wants work of us. He offers His power to us if we will work with Him. Greater deeds than have ever been done do not wait upon His willingness but upon our obedience.—Robert E. Speer.

Joy

"Joy is there if we will set ourselves to find it—joy in labor, joy in love, joy in the beauty of earth around us, joy that waits like a hidden well to bubble up in hearts that are open to it."

No Sorrow Too Great

No sorrow is too great to endure if it reveals to us some new beauty in Christ, or brings out in us some new feature of Christlikeness.—J. R. Miller.

POULTRY

CARE OF PULLETS WHILE ON RANGE

Just "feeding the chickens" sounds simpler than the task really is, if the chickens are to be well fed. The purpose for which the flock is being kept has a great deal to do with the matter. Rations for fattening, maintenance, growth and egg production are all different, and will also be varied according to the age of the chickens.

Twenty-one kinds of chicken feeds, all of them different in their result, and all of them suited to different purposes, are exhaustively analyzed and discussed in a new bulletin by Prof. A. R. Winter of the poultry husbandry department of the Ohio State university. The bulletin, No. 63, entitled "Poultry Feeding Stuffs and Rations," has been published by the agricultural extension service of the university.

In addition to the definitions and discussions of the various feeds, there are given six formulae for rations. Two of them are "starting and growing" rations and the other four are for laying hens. Along with the formulae for the rations there are directions for making simple and efficient feeding equipment for the poultry yard.

Two special fattening rations are suggested, one for hens and the other for young birds. For hens, a ration of corn meal, 40 parts by weight, mixed with 60 parts, by weight, of liquid milk, is suggested. For the younger birds a greater variety of grains is recommended. The formula calls for a mash consisting of 59 parts of ground corn, 25 parts of wheat flour middlings, 10 parts of finely ground oats, 5 parts of meat scrap, and 1 part of salt. This mash should be mixed with enough liquid milk to make a batter that will pour fairly easily.

Egg Production Is Cut by Uncomfortable Pens

If hens could talk, they would probably say harsh things about hot, uncomfortable poultry houses.

Ohio poultrymen are urged to keep that in mind, among other things, by poultry extension specialists of the Ohio State university in their monthly letter to farm poultrymen keeping records in co-operation with the extension service.

A hot poultry house, the specialists observe, is no place for a hen either to eat or to lay eggs.

"Open the ventilators and remove the windows; make the houses cool and comfortable," writes one of the specialists, P. B. Zumbro. "Don't expect egg production if the house is as hot as a bakeoven. Hens won't stay in hot houses long enough to consume their feed."

Another point in summer care of the poultry flock:

"Summer and fall production are greatly influenced by good green feed; old dry bluegrass or dead rye is not satisfactory. Rape is the best thing to plant now for summer pasture.

"Yard off a part of the ground around the house, and plant the rape there, allowing it to get a good start. It will provide good pasture until freezing weather."

Two other practices successful poultrymen observe at this time of year are culling the slacker hens, and getting control of lice and mites on the birds.

Best Plan to Separate Cockerels and Pullets

As the flock reaches the broiler stage the roosters and pullets should be separated, for the pullets need no forcing but will make better layers if let grow along normally, with plenty of exercise. Broilers, on the other hand, should have only enough exercise for health and should be fed a fattening ration. At the final stage the broilers should be shut in a pen only moderately lighted and fed all they will eat of fine ground corn and semi-solid buttermilk. Some prefer to use a prepared fattening mash, many of which are on the market. Green or succulent feed should be fed also. Lack of exercise causes them to fatten very fast and makes tender juicy flesh.

Duck Meat Breeds

One of the most common breeds of ducks is the Pekin breed. These ducks are white or creamy white in color and are as large as any of the breeds of ducks with the exception of one. Drakes weigh eight to nine pounds and ducks weigh seven to eight pounds. In the meat class this breed is perhaps the most popular over the United States as a whole. Pekins may be mated in the proportion of one drake to every six or eight ducks.

Prevent Chick Loss

Cleanliness is highly important in the prevention of chick losses. Always scrub the brooder floor with hot lye water and let it dry before putting in baby chicks. Clean litter, free from mold and small kernels of grain should be used and changed often enough that filth does not accumulate. It is better to keep chicks partially confined, when provided with sunlight than to let them out on old ground which may carr, disease germs and parasite eggs.

OUR COMIC SECTION

Events in the Lives of Little Men

FINNEY OF THE FORCE — Snoop Is No Longer Interested

THE FEATHERHEADS — Something From Chopin

The Racer

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Importance of Women as Bank Depositors

For more than a century and a half the savings bank has been conducted by men and largely for men. Lately many of the conservative directors of savings banks in the United States awoke to the fact that more than half of the depositors in these institutions are women.

Up to that time, only half a decade ago, little or nothing had been done to cater to the growing army of women patrons. Even today only a small percentage of our savings bank officials know the relative proportions of their male and female depositors. The officials of one of the largest savings banks in this country, having 200,000 depositors, recently learned that 75 per cent of their accounts are handled by women, either in their own right or for some other member of the family.—Thrift Magazine.

His Excuse

"What is coming off?" asked a stranger in Petunia. "I just saw an old fellow come rushing around a corner, run to the fire bell and ring it like mad. What do you suppose was the matter with him?"

"That was old Bill Bachelor," replied Constable Slackputter. "Somebody told me the Widder Huggins, who wants to talk all the time about her late husband, cornered Bill and proposed to him. I reckon that was excuse enough for his actions."—Kansas City Star.

Dutch Pacific Charity

Fresh evidence of benevolence in times of national disaster has been given by the Dutch people. Thousands of persons contributed to the relief commission working on behalf of the victims of last year's floods in the Meuse district. Now a number of prominent Dutchmen have informed the commision that they will bear the costs of a building to accommodate many of the worst sufferers in the afflicted area.

Still Put to Good Use

The Salvation army at Ventura, Calif., is about to run a still. A 50-gallon still was captured in a liquor raid. "Who wants it?" asked the sheriff. "We'll take it," said the Salvation army. "We can knock off the spout and it will be good to cook beans in."

Loyal

"I was reading about your boy friend's big engineering feat."

"Big feet or not, I like him!"

When his Satanic majesty bids you adieu, keep an eye on him till he turns the corner.

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