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## The Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject : "Angels."

TEXT: "Am the ungei did wondrously."

Fire built on a rock. Manoah and hi-wife had there kindled the finnes for sacr-fice in praise of God and in honor of a guest whom they supposed to be a man. But as the flame rose higher and higher their stranger guest stepped into the flame and by one red leap ascended into the skies. Then they knew that he was an Angel of the Lord. "The angel did wondrously."

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Two hundred and forty-eight times does the Bible refer to the angels, yet I never heard or read a sermon on Angelology. The whole subject is relegated to the realm mythical, weird, spectral and unknown. Such adjournment is unscriptural and wicked. Of their life, their character, their habits, their actions, their valocities, the Bible gives us full length portraits, and why this prolonged and absolute silence concerning them? Angelology is my theme.

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There are two nations of angels, and they are hostile to each other, the nation of good angels and the nation of bad angels. Of the former I chiefly speak to-day. Their capital, their headquistars, their grand rendezvous, their headquarters, their grand rendezvous, is beaven, but their empire is the universe. They are a distinct race of creatures. No human being can ever join their confraternity. The little child who in the Sabbath school sings, "I want to be an angel," will never have her wish gratified. They are su-perhuman; but they are of different grades and ranks, not all on the same level, or the same height. They have their superiors and inferiors and equals. I propose no guessing on this subject, but take the Bible for my on this subject but take the Bible for my only authority. Plate, the philosopher, guessed, and divided angels into super-celestial, celestial and sub-celestial. Dionysius, the Areopagite, guessed, and divided them into three classes—the supreme, the middle and the last—and each of these into three other

classes, making nine in all, Philo said that the angels were related to God, as the rays to the sun. Fulgentius said that they were composed of body and spirit. Clement said they were incorporeal. Augustine said that they had been in danger of falling, but now are beyond being tempted. But the only authority on this subject that But the only authority on this subject that I respect says they are divided into Cherubim, Seraphim, Thrones, Dominations, Principalities, Powers. Their commander-inchief is Michael. Daniel called him Michael. St. John called him Michael. These supernal beings are more thoroughly organized than any army that ever marched. They are swifter than any cyclone that ever swept the sea. They are more radiant than any more sea. They are more radiant than any morning that ever came down the say. They have more to do with your destiny and mine than any being in the universe except God. May the Angel of the New Covenant, who is the Lord Jesus, open our eyes, and touch our tongue, and rouse our soul, while we speak of their deathlessness, thair intelligence. their deathlessness, their intelligence, their sumbers, their strength, their achievements. Yes, deathless. They had a cradle, but will never have a grave. The Lord remem-bers when they were born, but no one shall sves see their eye extinguished, or their mo-mentum slow up, or their existence term-inate. The oldest of them has not a wrinkle, or a decrepitude, or a hindrauce; as young after six thousand years as at the close of their first hour. Christ said of the good in heaven, "Neither can they die any more, for they are equal unto the angels." Yes, death-less are these wonderful creatures of whom I speak. They will see world after world go out, but there shall be no fading of their own williance. Yea, after the last world has brilliance. Yea, after the last world has taken its last flight they will be ready for the widest circuit through immensity, taking a quadrillion of miles in one sweep as easy as a rigeon circles a dovecot. They are never ick? They are never exhausted. They need no sleep, for they are never tired. At God's command they smote with death, in one night, one hundred and eighty-five thousand of Sennacherib's host, but no fatality can smite them Awake, agile, multipotent,

ss, immortal! A further characteristic of these radiant folk is intelligence. The woman of Tekoah was right when she spoke to King David of the wisdom of an angel. We take in what little we know through eye and ear and nostril and touch, but those beings have no obviced encasement and homes that are all physical encasement and hence they are all senses. A wall five feet thick is not solid to them. Through it they go without disturbing flake of mortar or crystal of sand. Knowledgel it flashes on the control of the co edge! It flashes on them. They take it in at all points. They absorb it. They gather it up without any hinderment. No need of literature for them! The letters of their books are stars. The dashes of their books are meteors. The words of their books are are meteors. The words of their books are constellations. The paragraphs of their books are galaxies. The pictures of their books are sunrises, and sunsets, and midnight auroras, and the Conqueror on the white horse with the moon under His feet, and seas of glass mingled with fire. Their library is an open universe. No need of telescope to see something millions of miles are a for instantional. thing millions of miles away, for instantly they are there to inspect and explore if. All astronomies, all geologies, all botanies, all philosophies at their feet. What an opportunity for intelligence is theirs! What facili-

ties for knowing everything and knowing it

right away.

There is only one thing that puts them to sheir wit's end, and the Bible says they have to study that. They have been studying it all through the ages, and yet I warrant they have not fully granted it. all through the ages, and yet I warrant they have not fully grasped it—the wonders of Resemption. These wonders are so high, so deep, so grand, so stopendous, so magnificent, that even the intelligence of angelhood is confounded before it. The apostle says: "Which things the angels desire to look into." That is a subject that excites inquisitiveness on their part. That is a theme that strains their faculties to their utmost. That is higher than they can climb, and deeper than they can dive. They have a desire for something too old for their comprehension. "Which things the angels desire to look into." But that does not discredit their intelligence. No one but the angels desire to look into." But that does not discredit their intelligence. No one but God Himself can fully understand the wonders of Redemption. If all heaven should study it for fifty eternities they would get no further than the A B C of that inexhaustible subject. But nearly all other realms of knowledge they have rausacked and explored and compassed. No one but God can tell them anything they do not know. They have read to the last word of the last line of the last page of the last volume of investigation. And what delights me most is that all their intelligence is to be at our disposal, and, com-

ast page of the last volume of investigation. And what delights me most is that all their intelligence is to be at our disposal, and, coming into their presence, they will tell us in five minutes more than we can learn by one hundred years of earthly surmising.

A further characteristic of these immortals is their velocity. This the Bible outs sometimes under the figure of a flowing garment, sometimes under the figure of naked leet. As these superhumans are without bodies these expressions are of course figurative, and mean swiftness. The Bible tells as that Daniel was praying, and Gabriel flew from heaven and touched him before he got up from his knees. How far, then, did he Angel Gabriel have to fly in those moments of Daniel's prayer? Heaven is thought to be the center of the universe. Our sun and its planets only the rim of the wheel of worlds. In a moment the Angel Gabriel flew from that center to this periphery. Jesus told Peter He could instantly have sixty thousand angels present if He called for them. What foct of antelope it wing of albatross could equal that velocity? Law of gravitation, which grips all things else, has no influence upon angelic momentum. Immensities before them open and shut like a fan. That they are here is no reason why they should not be a quintillion of miles hence the next minute. Our bodies hinder us, but our minds can circle the earth in a minute. Angelic beings are bodiless and ninder us, but our minds can circle the earth in a minute. Angelic beings are bodiless and have no limitation. God may with His finger point down to some world in trouble on the outmost limits of creatien, and instantly an angelic cohort are there to help it. Or some celestial may be standing at the furthermost outpost

of Immensity, and God may say "Come" and instantly it is in His bosom. Abraham, Elijan, Hagar, Joshua, Gideon, Mancah, Paul, St. John, could tell of their unhindered becomes in the contraction. locomotion. The red feet of summer light-ning are slow compared with their hegiras. This doubles up and compresses infinitudes into infinitesimals. This puts all the astronomical heavens into a space like the balls of a child's rattle. This mingles into one the Here and the There, the Now and the Then, the Beyond and the Yonder.

Another remark I have to make concerning these illustrious immortals is that they are multitudinous. Their census has never been taken, and no one but God knews how many they are, but all the Bible accounts suggest their immense numbers. Companies of them, regiments of them, armies of them, mountain tops haloed by them, skies populous with them. John speaks of angels and other beings round the throne as ten thousand times ten thousand. Now, according to my calculation, ten thousand times ten thousand are one hundred million. But these are only the arrelative problems. the angels in one place. David counted twenty thousand of them rolling down the sky in chariots. When God came away from the riven rocks of Mount Sinai, the Bible says He had the companionship of ten thousand angels. I think they are in every battle, in every exigency, at every birth, at every pillow, at every hour, at every moment. The earth full of them. The heavens full of them. They outnumber the human race in this They outnumber ransomed spirits in giory. When Abraham had his kinted to slay Isaac, it was an angel who arrested the stroke, crying: "Abraham! Abraham!" It was a stairway of angels that Jaham!" It was a stairway of angels that Jaham! cob saw while pillowed in the wilderness. We are told an angel led the hosts of Israelites out of Egyptian serfdom. It was an angel that showed Hagar the fountain where she filled the bottle for the lad. It was an angel that took Lot out of doomed Sodom. It was an angel that shut up the mouth of the hungry monsters when Daniel was thrown into the caverns. It was an angel that fed Elijah under the juniper tree. It was an an-gel that announced to Mary the approaching nativity. They were angels that chanted when Christ was born. It was an angel that trengthened our Saviour in His agony. It was an angel that encouraged Paul in the Med-iterranean shipwreck. It was an angel that burst open the prison, gate after gate, until Peter was liberated. It was an angel that stirred the Pool of Siloam where the sick were healed. It was an angel that John saw flying through the midst of heaven, and an angel with foot planted on the sea, and an angel that opened the book, and an angel that sounded the trumpet, and an angel that thrust in the sickle, and an angel that poured out the vials, and an angel that poured out the vials, and an angel standing in the sun. It will be an angel with uplifted hand, swearing that time shall be no longer. In the great final harvest of the world, the reapers are the angels. Yea, the Lord shall be revealed from heaven with mighty angels. Oh, the numbers and the might and the glory of these supernals! Fleets of them! Squadrons of them! Host beyond host! Rank above rank! Millions on millions! And all on our

side if we will have them. This leads me to speak of the offices of these supernals. To defend, to cheer, to rescue, to escort, to give victory to the right, and overthrow the wrong; that is their business. Just as alert to-day and efficient as when in Bible times they spread wing, or unsheathed sword, or rocked down penitentiaries, or filled the mountains with horses of fire hitched to character of fire and driven by fire hitched to chariots of fire and driven by reinsmen of fire. They have turned your steps a hundred times, and you knew it not. You were on the way to do some wrong thing, and they changed your course. They brought some thought of Christian parent-age, or of loyalty to your own home, and that arrested you. They arranged that some one should meet you at that crisis, and pro-pose sometoing honorable and elevating, or they took from your pocket some ticket to evil amusement, a ticket that you never found. It was an angel of God, and perhaps the very one that guided you to this service, impression to be this morning made upon your soul, tarrying with one foot upon the doorstep of your immortal spirit, and the other foot lifted for ascent into the skies. By some prayer detain him until he can tell of a repentant and ransomed soul!
Or you were some time borne down with
trouble, bereavement, persecution, bank
ruptcy, sickness and all manner of troubles You gave up; you said: "I cannot stand life. You gave up; you said: "I cannot stand it any longer. I believe I will take my life. Where is the rail train, or the deep wave, or the precipice that will end this torment of earthly existence?" But suddenly your mind brightened. Courage came surging into your heart like oceanic tides. You said: "God is on my side, and all these adversities He can make turn out for my good." Suddenly you felt a peace, a deep peace, the peace of God that passeth all understanding. What made the change? A sweet, and mighty, and comforting angel of the Lord met you. That was all.

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What an incentive to purity and righteousness is this doctrine that we are continually under angelic observation! Eyes ever on you, so that the most secret misdeed is com-mitted in the midst of an audience of immortals. No doors so bolted, no darkness so Cimmerian as to hinder that supernal eye-sight. Not critical eyesight, not jealous eyesight, not baleful eyesight, but friendly eyesight, sympathetic eyesight, helpful eyesight. Confidential clerk of store, with great responsibility on your shoulder, and no que to applaud your work when you do it well, and sick with the world's ingratitude, think of the angels in the counting-room raptured at your fidelity! Mother of household, stitching, mending, cooking, dusting, planning, up half the night or all night with the sick child, day in and day out, year in and year out, worn with the monotony of a life that no conworn with the monotony of a life that no one seems to care for, think of the angels in the nursery, angels in all the rooms of your tolling, angels about the sick cradle and all in sympathy!

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Hashroad engineer, with hundreds of lives sandthe on your wrist, standing amid the ciliders and the smutch, round the sharp curve and by appalling declivity, discharged and disgraced if you make a mistake, but not one word of approval if you take all the trains in safety for ten years, think of the angels by the throating furnace of the engine, angels looking from the overhanging crag, angels bracing the racing wheels off the precipice, angels when you mount the thunderbolt of a train and angels when you dismount! Can you not hear them, louder than the jamming of the car coupling, louder than the bell at the crossing, louder than the whistle that sounds like the scream of a flying flend, the angelic voices saying: "You did it well! You did it well!" If I often speak of engineers it is because I ride so much with them. I always accept their invitation to join them on their locomotive, because I not only get to my destination sooner, but because they are about the grandest men alive.

Men and women of all circumstances only

alive.

Men and women of all circumstances, only partly appreciated, or not appreciated at all, never feel lonely again, or unregarded again! Angels all around; angels to approve, angels to help, angels to remember. Yea, while all the good angels are friends of the good, there is one special agent your body guard. This idea, until this present study of angelology, I supposed to be fanciful, but I find it clearly stated in the Bible. When the disciples were praying for Peter's deliverance from prison, and he appeared at the door of the prayer meeting, they could not believe it was Peter. They said: "It is his angel." So these disand he appeared at the door of the prayer meeting, they could not believe it was Peter. They said: "It is his angel." So these disciples, in special nearness to Christ, evidently believed that every worthy soul has an angel. Jesus said of His followers: "Their angels behold the face of My Father." Elsewhere it is said: "He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy wwys." Angel shielded, angel protected, angel guarded, angel canopied, art thou. No wonder that Charles Wesley hymned these words:

Which of the petty Kings of earth Can boast a guard like ours, Encircied from our second birth With all the heavenly powers?

Valerius and Rufinus were put to death for Christ's sake in the year 257, and, after the day when their bodies had been whipped and pounded into a jelly, in the night in pris os the Layette! This is one matter upon original source.

The first consideration within the province of practical provisioning, is the Layette! This is one matter upon original source.

and before the next day when they were to and before the next day when they were to be executed, they both thought they saw angels standing with two glittering crowns saying: "Be of good cheer, valiant seldiers of Jesus Christ! a little more of battle and then these crowns are yours." And I am glad to know that before many of those who have passed through great sufferings in this life, some angel of God has held a blazing coronet of eternal reward.

Yea, we are to have such a guardian angel to take us upward when our work is done. You know we are told an angel conducted Lazarus to Abraham's bosom. That shows that none shall be so poor in dying he cannot afford angelic escort. It would be a long way to go alone, and up paths we have never trod, and amid blazing worlds swinging in unimaginable momentum, out and on through such distances and across such infinitudes of space, we should shudder at the thought of going alone. But the angelic escort will come to your languishing pillow, or the place of your fatal accident, and says: "Hail, im-mortal one! All is well; God hath sent me to take you home:" and without tremor or slightest sense of peril you will away and upward, further on and further on, until after awhile heaven heaves in sight, and the rumble of chariot wheels, and the roll o mighty harmonies are heard in the dis tance, and nearer you come, and nearer still, until the brightness is like many morn-ings suffused into one, and the gates lift and you are inside the amethystine walls, and on the banks of the jasper sea, forever safe, for ever free, forever well, forever rested, for ever united, forever happy. Mothers, don't think your little children go alone when they quit this world. Out of your arms into an gelic arms. Out of sickness into health. Out of the cradle into a Saviour's bosom. Not an instant will the darlings be alone between the two kisses, the last kiss of earth and the first kiss of heaven. "Now angels, do your work!" cried an expiring Christian. Yes, a guardian angel for each one of you.

Yes, a guardian angel for each one of you. Put yourself now in accord with him. When he suggest the right, follow it. When he warns you against the wrong, shun it. Sent forth from God to help you in this great bat tle against sin and death, accept his deliverance. When tempted to a feeling of loneliness and disheartenment appreciate the promise: "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that feer Him and deliverance in the state of th around about them that fear Him and delivereth them." Oh, I am so giad that the spaces between here and heaven are thronged with these supernaturals taking tidings home, bringing messages here, rolling back obstacles from our path and giving us defense, for terrific are the forces who dispute our way, and if the nation of the good angels is on our side, if the nation of the good angels is on our side, the nation of bad angels is on the other side. Paul had it right when he said: "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against Principalities, against Powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." In that awful fight may God send us mighty angelic re-enforcement! We want all their wings on our side, all their swords on our side, all their chariots on our side.

Thank God that those who are for us are mightier than those who are against us! And that thought makes me jubilant as to the final triumph. Belgium, you know, was the battle ground of England and France. Yea, Belgium more than once was the battle ground of opposing nations. It so happens that this world is the Belgium or battle ground between the angelic nations, good and bad. Michael, the commander-in-chief on one side; Lucifer, as Byron calls him, or Mephistopheles, as Gosthe calls him, or Satan, as the Bible calls him, the commander in-chief on the other side. All pure angel-

hood under the one leadership, and all aban doned angelhood under the other leadership Many a skirmish have the two armies had out the great and decisive battle is yet to be fought. Either from our earthly homes or down from our supernal residences, may we come in on the right side, for on that side are God and heaven and victory. Meanwhile the battle is being set in array, and the forces celestial and demoniacal are confronting each other. Hear the boom of the great cannonade already opened! Cherubim, Seraphim, Thrones, Dominations, Principalities and Powers are beginning to ride down their foes, and until the work is com-pleted, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gideon, and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon!"

## For Mothers

"Strange," remarked a prominent merchant not long since, "no one seems to have thought of publishing a magazine for mothers in the interests i children!"

It does seem singular, that every other ground of information should be so thoroughly covered, and this most vital interest of all, should be left misrepresented. The field is fine and fertile for the tiller when she comes; a coman who, if not herself a mother, has benefitted largely by the experience of other women, who knows the complications and anxieties, which every conscientious mother is forced to encounter, in the daily discharge of her sacred duties. There are few parents to whom wise and friendly counsel, at a critical moment, would not prove of vital consequence, in the shaping of the destinies of angels, committed to mortal Lafe's first lessons are so freighted with influences for good or evil, to come in the little career, any mother unaided and alone, might well shrink from the responsibility.

It is so much easier for the young mind to absorb the most complicated situations, upon which future personality depends, than to unlearn or obliterate impressions, which may make or mar life. God help mother and child, if indulgence be suffered to take the reins from the hand of discipline at

he outset. Habit has more force than heredity n the construction of that subtle, something we call character, much depends upon the regularity with which the little one is looked after; custom is hing of the cradle; where nothing but love is manifested, and the nursery laws an absolute, the little heart will expand like a sweet spring flower in the surshin of surrounding tenderness. The sympathy thus established between mother and child, leaves no room for the counter influences, which

come later on, ih life. The mothers' mbods re-set so swiftly and so vitally upon the little one, the utmost serenity should characterize every ministration of motherliness. Even the word or look of needful admonition should be so tempered with discretion and tenderness, ale to establish that perfect kinship of mind and heart, which is the secret of control in all the relations of life. Mamma's wish is the righteous law of baby's being, until such time as the little soul is awakened to a sense of the selfhood, which is every human birthright.

There is no denying that nature has traits, which being inherent, are a little obstinate and difficult to overcome, even with judicious kindliness; yet what we call the "disposition" of a child, is really the outgrowth of habit and careful discipline.

The post of mother is certainly no sinecure from a moral stand-point, though one or two enterprising mer chants have done their best to render it so from a material one, and have succeeded phenomenally, as thousands of

which the mother of to-day may cheerfully congratulate herself. Even with the aid of a seamstress, and the sewing machine, to have the baby's outfit made at home, was a bother and burden, which no lady at such time, can

safely assume. Her mornings should be given to muscular exercise, if possible, in the open air. Her afternoons to rest and mental refreshment. There is more than her own character to be considered, and certain it is, there is no strength to be wasted in needless toils, when such beautiful garments may be had ready-made — by — hand — exquisitely fashioned and finished, for little more than the original material cost, every item comprising the trousseau in sets or by the single piece—tucked, lace-trimmed, hemstitched, feather-stitched, embroidered or plain-as the buyer selects, together with dainty baskets, containing every appliance for baby's bath and toilet, all carefully and compactly deposited in a silken-lined hamper, and delivered free of charge in any home in the country.

The question of clothing is a more vital issue than many suppose. Shoes that cramp the feet, as well as shoes too large, render graceful or natural movement impossible, so ill-fitting or misshaped garments, detract from the most pleasing personality. There is everything in the "set" of a costume; and a shapely garment is usually a comfortable one.

A benefaction to the boys and girls and babies of the period, is a waist with broad shoulder blades, and patent buttons, perpendicularly arranged above the hip spring, to which stocking suspenders are attached, thereby taking the weight of clothing from spine and stomach, and transferring it to the shoulders. The waist is well made and I. Love Your Enemies: rendered symmetrical and durable, by the manner in which the cords are in the Woman's Journal. There is every thing in beginning right; and of fashion for children of all ages. The style of costumes, not so preliminated, and the suit of simple fabric looks quite as well as the costly one, as far as the fit is concerned, even though the experience leaves to the suite of the suite perience has its glittering side.

How gorgeously children are dressed. and styles are legion, and colors are

Spring dresses of cashmere for little girls, are enhanced with cuffs, plastrons Bless them that persecute you; bless, and sash ribbons of Scotch plaid. Every-day "outing" suits are as comfortable as they are inexpensive and simple of make-up. The standard stripe in "outing" flannel is gray, and it may be varied by blue or tan or white. Skirts are pleated or gathered, and the sailor blouse has a deep sailor collar braided with white and tied with gay-colored ribbons quite low on the

Baby boys wear dresses of white ceive (Acts 20: 35). lawn, Scotch gingham in pale-blue buff and pink, or plain chambery, the skirts of these pretty frocks nearly reaching to the ankles, are full and deeply hemmed, and the waists are round and high

Larger boys wear much shorter skirts, showing their rosy limbs be-tween the knee and ankle. Their boyish looking kilts for spring are made of twilled cotton with Galatea stripes of dark blue and white; or of twilled flannel and piquet.

Sailor suits of white flannel or serge for still older boys, are supplemented by blouses of white or yellow China

The middy suit with its long wide trousers, is worn by boys out of kilts. For little girls, plaids are made into blouses gauged in rows at the waist. For larger girls they are cut on the ias, the bodice is pleated front and turned-up collar about the neck and a velvet waistband. The short pleated skirt has most of the fullness thrown full on the shoulders and finished with

velvet cuffs. Large hats are trimmed in plaid silk or velvet ribbons to match the plaid

Cloaks for misses, of the plaid, have a cape formed of three small collars falling to the waist, the neck finished with a standing collar and clasp. Dresses for little girls are very simply made.

The short-waisted American dress is giving away to a long-waisted jacket bodice and pleated skirt. Frocks of fancy material are cut

Princess fashion and have belt, cuffs and collar of velvet. White woolen stuffs, with stripes, are made with high drawn starsmocked bodice and full plain skirt, trimmed with narrow white moire

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A Man's Estimate of Woman. Women are the witch hazels of hu-

manity. They bend to the precious and yield to the true ore-no matter how common the environment and how poor the soil that clasps it. Their instincts are as unerring as quicksilver. It is ten their beautiful faith in a man that keep, him brave and sends him out in keep him brave and sends him out in the world amorous for more Alps to songuer. Noting is so eternal as their fath, or so inspiring. It lives to-day as it dul fu the old days, when, under the quiet Judean skies, on met her risen Lord and believed and was not afraid. We may smooth down our beards and take pride is our superior sex, the facts remain as they are. always a woman who sends us lion-hearted into the fight and a woman who welcomes us home and home is our scars. It is a woman who is our wisest adviser and most loyal friend.

He surely is most in want of at other's patience who has none of his

LEARN to say No! It will be of more use to you than to be able to rend Lat-

THE life of man consists not in see ing visions and dreaming dreams, but in active charity and willing service. TRACH a genuine respect for the best III. It A

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON. SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 1890. Christ's Law of Love.

LESSON TEXT. (Luke 6: 27-38. Memory verses. 35-37.)

LESSON PLAN. TOPIC OF THE QUARTER: Jesus the Saviour of Men. GOLDEN TEXT FOR THE QUARTER This is indeed the Christ the Saviour

of the world.—John 4:42.

LESSON TOPIC : Words on Love. 1. Whom to Love, vs. 27-30. LESSON OUTLINE: 2. How to Love, vs. 31-34. 3. Why to Love, vs. 35-38.

GOLDEN TEXT: As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.—Luke 6:31. DAILY HOME READINGS:

M.-Luke 6: 27-38. Words on God enjoins it (Luke 6: 35; 1 Thess. T.-Matt. 5: 38-48. The law of W.-Rom. 12: 9-21. The law of T.-1 Cor. 13: 1-13. The excellence of love.

F.-1 John 3: 11-24. Love essent-8.-1 John 4: 1-21. Love is of God. 5.-Rom. 5 : 8-21. God's love commended.

## LESSON ANALYSIS. I. WHOM TO LOVE.

Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you (27). stitched in, as shown by the model If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread (Prov. 25 : 21). Love your enemies (Matt. 5: 44).

this good sense waist is a primal factor Love your enemies, and do them good (Luke 6:35). clothing fitted over it, has twice the Overcome evil with good (Rom. 12:

Pray for them that despitefully use

Pray for them that persecute you (Matt. 5:44). this spring, yet how simply! Stuffs Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do (Luke 23:34). Lord, lay not this sin to their charge (Acts 7:60).

and curse not (Rom. 12:14). III. Love the Needy: Give to every one that asketh thee

Thou shalt surely open thine hand unto him (Deut. 15: 8) The righteous giveth and withholdeth not (Prov. 21: 26). Give to him that asketh thee (Matt. 5: 42).

It is more blessed to give than to re-1. "I say unto you which hear, Love

your enemies. (1) An authoritative teacher; (2) An attentive audience; (3) A remarkable duty.—(1) A peerless lawgiver; (2) A pe

2. "Bless them that curse you." A cursing world; (2) A blessing church.—(1) How the godless treat the godly; (2) How the godly treat the godless.

3. "Give to every one that asketh thee." (1) Need; (2) Solicitation; (3) Supply.

II. HOW TO LOVE. As You Would be Loved: As ye would that men should do to

you, do ye also to them (31). Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself (Lev. 19: 18). Whatsoever ye would that men should

do, . . . even so do ye (Matt. 7: 12). back, plain at the sides, with narrow To love his neighbor as himself, is much more (Mark 12: 33).

thank have ye? (32). and the good (Matt. 5: 45).

If ye love them that love you, what reward have you? (Matt. 5: 46). evil (Luke 6:35). While we were yet sinners, Christ died

for us (Rom. 5:8). III. More Grandly Than the World Loves:

ceive again as much (34). do ye more than others? (Matt. 5:47). Even sinners do the same (Luke 6: 33). Call not thy ... rich neighbors; lest ....

not sin (Jas. 2: 9). 1. "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." (1) Man's claim for himself; (2) Man's due to others .- (1) What we

would; (2) What we should. "Even sinners love those that love (1) The common law of them." love; (2) The Christian law of love. -Reciprocal love (1) Sufficient by human standards; (2) Insufficient

by divine standards. "Sinners lend to sinners, to receive again as much." (1) The world's kindly dealing; (2) The world's selfish expectation.

III. WHY TO LOVE. It is Greatly Rewarded: Your reward shall be great (35). reward (Psa. 19: 11). Great is your reward in heaven (Matt.

5: 12). (Matt. 10: 42). Each shall receive his own reward (1 Cor. 3: 8). II. It Assures Sonship to Cod:

Ye shall be sons of the Most high That ye may be sons of your Father (Matt. 5: 45). Ye therefore shall be perfect, as your Father is perfect (Matt. 5: 48).

oved, now are we children of God John 3: 2). have passed ... into life, because ove the brethren (I John 3; 14). ssures Corresponding Treat-

'at measure ye mete, it shall With w d to you again (38). judgment ye judge, ye 'ged (Matt. 7: 2). be measure

Condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned (Luke 6: 37). Give, and it shall be given unto you

(Luke 6: 38). Judgment is without mercy to him that hath shewed no mercy (Jas. 2: 13).

1. "Your reward shall be great." (1) Service rendered; (2) Reward as-

sured.—(1) Reward anticipated; (2) Reward received. 2. "Ye shall be sons of the Most High." (1) The Father's character; (2) The son's resemblance.—(1) Sons in fact; (2) Sons in similarity; (3) Sons in inheritance.

3. "Give, and it shall be given unto you." (1) Command; (2) Promise. -(1) Man as a giver; (2) God as a

LESSON BIBLE READING.

LOVE TO MAN. It is of God (1 John 3:10, 11;4:

7, 8). It is commanded (John 15: 12:1 John 4:21). Christ exemplified it (John 13 : 34 ;

Eph. 5:2). The Spirit produces it (Gal. 5: 22;

Col. 1:8). Should be fervent (1 Pet. 1:22). Should be unto death (John 15:13;1 John 3:16).

Abides forever (1 Cor. 13:13). LESSON SURBOUNDINGS. INTERVENING EVENTS .- The healing of the paralytic was followed immediately by the call of Matthew, who is the same as Levi (Luke 5 : 27, 28), Matthew himself (Matt. 9:8, 9) connecting the two events. It would appear, however, that the feast given by this publican and the subsequent discourse (Luke 5: 29-39) belong to a later period (comp. Matt. 9:18 with Mark 2:22; 5:22; Luke 5:36-39; 8:40, 41). Dr. Robinson places the second passover (John 5) immediately after the call of Matthew. The next events are the sabbatic controversies (Luke 6:1-11). The secret but growing hostility of the Phariseesseems to have led to our Lord's withdrawal from Capernaum; but great crowds followed him, and others gathered in the mountain region to which he withdrew (Mark 3: 7-12). After a night spent in prayer, our Lord chooses the twelve disciples (Luke 6:12-16). Coming down to a level place, he delivered the Sermon on the Mount, of which the less in forms a part. That this is the same occasion referred to in Matthew 5-7, appears

from the circumstances recorded by all the evangelists, as sell as from the PLACE.—The tradition... site of the Mount of Best tudes is at the Horns of Hattin (Qui a Hatteen). This is a small ridge, with peaks resembling horns, on the west shore of the lake, south-west of Capernaum (whichever be the site of that city). It does not rise very high above the plain in most places, and would be a very convenient spot for the great assemblage. Stanley upholds this site; Robinson and Thomson doubt the tradition, which is not very ancient. The feeding of the five thousand is also placed here by one

tradition (an utterly false one).

Time.—The date was probably in the early summer of A. U. C. 781,—A. D. 28. Andrews places it a few weeks

Persons. - Our Lord, seated conveniently for teaching; probably the disciples closest to him; then a great multitude of listeners. PARALLEL PASSAGES. -- Matthew 5: 40-

48:7:1, 2. ABOUT WOMEN.

The First English Woman Journalist.

It is interesting to know that Mrs. E. Lynn Linton was the first English woman journalist. Many years ago she We ought to lay down our lives for the brethren (1 John 3: 16). made up her mind that women had as good a chance in journalism as men. good a chance in journalism as men, towards the back and the sleeves are II. Not Alone Those who Love You: and she put her theories to the test with If ye love them that love you, what a rapidity and success which caused the sterner sex to first surrender and subse-He maketh his sun to rise on the evil quently admire. She has gone on writing spec al articles ever since in spite of the fact that she has turned out a large number of novels, for so marvelous is He is kind toward the unthankful and her facility that she is never at a loss for material. She lives in a flat high up in Queen Ann's mansions, and has a wide and varied view of London house tops. She is an old woman now, and her autobiography would be an inter-Even sinners lend to sinners, to re- esting one, for she has known many celebrated men. Robert Southey was If ye salute your brethren only, what her earliest neighbor, Walter Savage Landor her literary foster father, and Charles Dickens her first editor. He had the highest opinion of her abilities, a recompense be made (Luke 14: 12). - and her reliability, by the way-and If ye have respect of persons, ye can- predicted her future. Subsequently she spent many years in the house at Gads Hill, famons in connection with the great novelist .- Current Literature.

> Looking outward and upward is a more practical method of finding one's pathway than looking downward and inward. The pilot in mid-ocean does better, as a pilot, by keeping his eye on the sun or the stars, as he stands at the helm, than he would by fixing his sight on the sea before his vessel's bow, or by turning his eyes into the vessel's hold. Only as a man has thoughts of God and heaven can he comprehend his true relations to earth and to his fellow-man. A recognition of abstract truth is, in fact, essential to an understanding of truth in the concrete. Therefore it is, as Phillips Brooks says, In keeping of them there is great re- that "there has been no great teacher of mankind in whose nature have not met the mystic and the moralist, the seeker after most transcendent truth He shall in no wise lose his reward and the enforcer of most practical duty.

THE last venture in the use of human hair is a fan valued at \$250, says Harper's Bazar. Deft fingers must have fashioned this unique curiosity, for what appears to be costly lace, fringing the sticks, is really human hair; baby curls, like unto fairy thistle down, we doubt not, yielding to the gentle wooing of summer's sortest breezes.

A BLESSING beyond wealth, beyond beauty, or even beyond talent, is that cheerful temperament which can reoice in the sunshine, yet be merry in the shade-which can delight in the singing of the birds in spring, yet solace itself with the heart's own music when winter is at hand.