

Sunday-School Lesson for November 26

Woes of Intemperance.

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Religions....

Tomorrow eve, being the Sabbath eve preceding our national Thanksgiving Thursday, there will be a special service of thanksgiving and anthem praise in the Providence Presbyterian church.

morning and evening. This will be the first time that this eminent preacher has ever preached in this city, and all who will hear him will surely want to hear him again.

Tomorrow's Services

Episcopal. Saint Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, rector, Rev. E. J. Haughton, assistant rector, 7:30 p. m., Holy Communion; 10:30 a. m., Morning Prayer and Sermon; 7:30 p. m., Evening Prayer and Sermon; 9:15 a. m., Sunday School and Bible classes.

Evangelical Lutheran. Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity, the close of the church year. Gospel, Matt. 23:34-36; Epistle, 2 Peter, 3:1-14; 2 Thes., 1:12-16. Vestment color, green.

Religious News Notes

The sixth anniversary service of Hiram Marsh will be celebrated at the Home Mission tonight at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be served at close of service.

INTRODUCTION.—The sacred writer surmises even Shakespeare in their ability to describe the experience and conduct of men, and their representations are universally recognized as correct.

QUESTIONS (verse 20)—In a concise, abrupt and energetic manner the lesson opens with a series of five questions, one of them being repeated for the sake of emphasis.

ANSWER (verse 20)—The inspired writer himself replies to the questions, affirming that they suffer thus who are addicted to the excessive use of wine.

ADVICE (verse 31)—In the last verse the writer again speaks of the folly of drinking habit, showing what comes of excess. Had he said no more, some might be encouraged to the moderate use of strong drink, which is the fruitful source of intemperance.

But in this verse he condemns a certain kind of drink. When the wine (yayin) is red, the color being of service as it is poured into the cup, fermentation has begun, which will be evidenced by the rise and escape of bubbles, a movement in the liquid by which the elements are converted into carbonic acid gas. One of these is alcohol, which is never found in nature.

EFFECT (verse 32)—Why reject fermented wine altogether? Why make its moderate use? Why not pause with a condemnation of excess? Does not intemperance mean moderation? These are old questions heard on every hand.

RESULT (verse 33)—To secure bodily health and comfort one must reject alcoholic beverages. This teaching of the wise man is approved of by science and experience.

TROUBLE (verse 50)—When body and soul are thus affected no one could reasonably expect any substantial peace or any enduring happiness.

indeed, for a time seek repose in the midst of fancied security, only to be overtaken and overwhelmed by calamities which he could neither have foreseen nor averted.

COMPLAINT (verse 35)—One other characteristic of the drunken man more in many respects more serious than those already mentioned, completes the account in the passage before us.

SUMMARY.—Alcoholic liquor as a beverage is condemned by Scripture for reasons that must appeal to the good sense of every rational person. It is far worse than the fabled cup of Circe, which transformed men into brutes.

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Methodist Episcopal. Elm Park Church—Prayer and Praise service at 9:30; preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Presbyterian. First Presbyterian church—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Dr. McLeod will preach.

Miscellaneous. Grace Reformed Episcopal Church, Wyoming avenue, below Mulberry street—Rev. George L. Ulrich, pastor.

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