

Continued Teaching of the Disciples

Lesson aim: To show how Jesus instilled within His disciples the principles upon which the kingdom is founded.

The disciples cannot heal a demoniac boy--Mk. 9:14-29, (Mt. 17:14-21, Lk. 9:37-43)

- 1. Why could the disciples not perform this miracle?*
- 2. What lesson about faith did their failure prompt?*

Second prediction of the resurrection--Mt. 17:22-23 (Mk. 9:14-29; Lk. 9:37-43)

- 1. How did the disciples receive this second announcement of Jesus' death?*

Payment of the temple tax--Mt. 17:24-27

- 1. Why did Jesus pay the temple tax here discussed?*
- 2. What lessons might we learn from Jesus' actions on this occasion?*

Rivalry over greatness dispelled--Mt. 18:1-5 (Mk. 9:33-37; Lk. 9:46-48)

- 1. What attitude did Jesus teach the disciples to have? How is it demonstrated?*

Warning against causing believers to stumble--Mt. 18:6-14 (Mk. 9:38-50; Lk. 9:49-50)

- 1. What lesson is learned from the episode concerning those who worked miracles but did not travel with the Lord and His disciples?*
- 2. What principles are taught in this section that should govern our relationships with each other?*

Treatment and forgiveness of a sinning brother--Mt. 18:15-35

- 1. Outline the obligations toward a sinning brother.*
- 2. How did Jesus establish the apostle's right to bind and loose in an area like discipline and what would be the proof of their right?*
- 3. In the context of this discussion, what does verse 20 mean?*
- 4. What lessons did Jesus teach about forgiveness?*