

**THE BEACON
SERIES; JESUS OF
NAZARETH**

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649618200

The Beacon Series; Jesus of Nazareth by Charles Edwards Park

Except for use in any review, the reproduction or utilisation of this work in whole or in part in any form by any electronic, mechanical or other means, now known or hereafter invented, including xerography, photocopying and recording, or in any information storage or retrieval system, is forbidden without the permission of the publisher, Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd, PO Box 1576 Collingwood, Victoria 3066 Australia.

All rights reserved.

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.
Cover @ 2017

This book is sold subject to the condition that it shall not, by way of trade or otherwise, be lent, re-sold, hired out, or otherwise circulated without the publisher's prior consent in any form or binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition including this condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

www.triestepublishing.com

CHARLES EDWARDS PARK

**THE BEACON
SERIES; JESUS OF
NAZARETH**

This Book is a part of the Beacon Series of Manuals, prepared for grades I-XII, inclusive, of a Graded Course of Sunday-School Lessons, an outline of which follows. Each Manual is accompanied by a Teacher's Helper.

KINDERGARTEN, AGES 4, 5*

Nature Lessons
Jesus in Story and Picture

- GRADE PRIMARY, AGES 6-9**
- I. First Book of Religion. Mrs. Charles A. Lane
 - II. Stories from the Old Testament Mrs. Henry C. Parker
 - III. Stories from the New Testament Oliver Jay Fairfield
 - IV. World Stories. Joel H. Metcalf

JUNIOR, AGES 10-13

- V. The Bible and The Bible Country Jabez T. Sunderland
- VI. Hebrew Beginnings
Old Testament Narratives. Part I Edna H. Stebbins
- VII. Hebrew History
Old Testament Narratives. Part II Henry Hallam Saunderson
- VIII. Jesus of Nazareth. Charles E. Park

SENIOR, AGES 14-17

- IX. The Work of the Apostles. Henry Hallam Saunderson
- X. Movements and Men of Christian History Charles T. Billings
- XI. Comparative Studies in Religion
An Introduction to Unitarianism. Henry T. Secrist
- XII. The Bible as Literature. John M. Wilson

ADVANCED, AGES 18-*

Citizenship and Social Service
Studies in Ethics
Special Books of the Bible
Studies in Evolution
Modern Religious Teachers
The Philosophy of Religion

* Material for the Kindergarten and Advanced departments may be obtained through the Unitarian Sunday-School Society.

The Beacon Series

A GRADED COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

JESUS OF NAZARETH

BY

CHARLES EDWARDS PARK

UNITARIAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL SOCIETY

BOSTON, 25 BEACON STREET; CHICAGO, 105 S. DEARBORN STREET

BX
9821
.P37
C81

ANDOVER-HARVARD
THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY
MAR 31 1916
HARVARD
DIVINITY SCHOOL

H43,914

COPYRIGHT BY
UNITARIAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL SOCIETY
1909

CONTENTS.

I.	Birth	1
II.	Bad News	3
III.	A Hurried Flight	5
IV.	Growing Up	7
V.	The Great Passover Feast	9
VI.	The Fearless Preacher	11
VII.	Finding his Work	13
VIII.	A New Home	15
IX.	Making Friends	17
X.	A Wonderful Discovery	19
XI.	An Open-Air Church	21
XII.	A Trip across the Lake	23
XIII.	Days of Happiness	25
XIV.	Becoming Famous	27
XV.	Hints and Suspicions	29
XVI.	A Secret Problem	31
XVII.	Messengers from John	33
XVIII.	Making Enemies	35
XIX.	The Fate of John the Baptist	37
XX.	A Fugitive	39
XXI.	Deciding the Problem	41
XXII.	A Rift of Light	43
XXIII.	The First Temptation	45
XXIV.	The Second Temptation	47
XXV.	The Third Temptation	49
XXVI.	Starting for Jerusalem	51
XXVII.	The Journey	53
XXVIII.	Dark Forebodings	55
XXIX.	Jericho	57
XXX.	A Cry of Discouragement	59
XXXI.	Fulfilling the Prophecy	61
XXXII.	A Busy Week	63
XXXIII.	The Last Meal Together	65
XXXIV.	The Darkest Hour	67
XXXV.	The End	69
XXXVI.	Conclusion	71

JESUS OF NAZARETH.

I. Birth.

LUKE II. 1-20.

A long time ago there was a carpenter who lived in a little town called Nazareth. His tools were simple and few, and the wood he had to work with was poor, so that he could not do the fine work carpenters do nowadays. His name was Joseph, and he was quite poor. But he married a girl named Mary, and lived humbly and contentedly in his little house in Nazareth. Mary would do the simple housework and would spin flax or grind barley, while Joseph worked busily with his tools, and so they got along quite nicely.

One day Mary was made very happy by God whispering in her heart that she should very soon have a little child. That was good news to Mary, and, as she thought about it, she determined that she would name her baby "Jesus."

Now, some time after Mary had learned this good news, Joseph came home one day and said they should have to go to Bethlehem, another town, on some matter of business. So he saddled his patient little donkey, and put Mary on its back, and took his staff, and set out for Bethlehem. But when they reached Bethlehem, he found that there was no room for them in any house or at the inn. So he went into a little stable of the inn, where the cattle lived, and he and Mary lay down in the sweet hay to sleep. That very night, as they lay sleeping on the hay in the stable, the little baby was born.

The good news had at last come true, and Mary was very happy indeed. She laid her little baby-boy in a manger, a trough out of which the animals ate their hay and grain, which made a very cosy crib for him.

Meanwhile a company of shepherds, who were watching over their sheep in the pasture outside of the town, were greatly startled to hear a wonderful voice which seemed to come to them out of the sky, and which told them that Jesus was to

be born that very night. They determined to go at once and see this baby. So they found the stable, and were the first persons to give ~~their~~ welcome to the little child Jesus.

1. In what country were the towns of Nazareth and Bethlehem?
2. What name does that country bear to-day?
3. In what province was Nazareth? In what province was Bethlehem?
4. What famous city was very near Bethlehem?
5. Who was Caesar Augustus?
6. Why was Joseph obliged to go to Bethlehem?
7. Why did they take up their quarters in a stable?
8. How many years ago was Jesus born?
9. What do we call his birthday?
10. Aside from his parents, who were the first persons to see Jesus after his birth?
11. How did these men know about his birth?
12. How did people travel in those days?