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 5—24. ST. MATTHEW.   
   
 were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain   
 man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord, have   
 mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for   
 ofttimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water.   
 16 And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not   
   
 eure him. 17 Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless   
 and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you?   
 how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.   
 18 And Jesus & rebuked the devil ; and he departed out of him:   
   
 and the child was cured from that very hour. 19 Then   
 came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not   
 we cast him out? 2 And Jesus said unto them, Because   
   
 of your 4 unbelief: for verily I say unto you, °If ye have och, =n.   
 faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this 2   
 mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall   
 remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.   
 (2! i Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and   
   
 fasting. ] 22 P And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said poh z.n:   
 unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the Pitinw.¢   
 hands of men: \*% and they shall kill him, and the third   
   
 day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding   
 sorry:   
 24 And when they were come to Capernaum, they that   
 received %X tribute money came to Peter, and said, Doth ‘33%.   
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 & render, rebuked him, and the devil departed out of him.   
 h some old MSS. read, little faith. 1 omitted by our two oldest MSS.   
 X render, the two drachmas.   
   
 see notes. It was the next see Luke 24—27.] DeManD OF THE SACRED   
 ix. 87, and note our ver. 1. Our Lord TRIBUTE, AND OUR LORD’s REPLY. Pe-   
 found the Scribes and the disciples culiar to Matthew. The narrative con-   
 puting (Mark). 15.] He was an only nects well with the whole chapter, the   
 son, Luke ix. 88. The demon had de- aim of the events narrated in which is,   
 prived him of speech, ix. set forth Jesus as the undoubted Son of   
 17.] Bengel remarks, that in our Lord’s God. 24. the two drachmas} This   
 severe reproof, disciples numbered wasasum paid annually by the Jews of   
 with the multitude. 19.] It was in twenty years old and upwards, the   
 the house, Mark ix. temple in Jerusalem. Exod. xxx. 18: 2   
 22, 28.) Our Lorp’s skCOND 4N- Kings xii. 4: 2 Chron. xxiv. 6, 9. Jo-   
 NOUNCEMENT OF His DEATH AND RE- hus says of Vespasian, “He levied a   
 SUBEECTION. Mark ix. 80-82. Luke tribute on the Jews all over the world,   
 ix. 43—45. This followed immediately compelling each man to pay two drachmas   
 after the miracle ix. 30). Our Lord yearly into the Capitol, as formerly   
 went privately through Galilee; For he used to do to the temple at Jerusalem.”   
 taught his disciples, imparting It does not quite appear this pay-   
 of this knowl more accurately to His ment was compulsory or not; the ques-   
 disciples, he had begun to do in the tion here asked would look as if it   
 last chapter, the reason for pri' ° voluntary, and therefore by declined.   
 For more particulars, see ver. 43 lany Commentators both ancient   
 Mark ver. 82. and modern, and among them no less