254 ST. MARK. IX.   
   
 30 And they departed thence, and passed through Ga-   
 lilee; and he would not that any man should know it.   
 31 For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The   
 Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they   
 shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise   
 nthe third day. 52 But they understood not that saying,   
 and were afraid to ask him.   
 33 And 22 he came to Capernaum : and being in the house   
 he asked them, What was it that ye disputed [° among your-   
 selves] by the way? % But they held their peace: for by   
   
   
 Lukes, the way they had ‘disputed among themselves, who   
   
 [°° should be] the greatest. %5 And he sat down, and   
 kMstt 2.28 called the twelve, and saith unto them, \* If any man desire   
 to be first, the same shall be last of all, and ? servant of all.   
 86 And 'he took a child, and set him in the midst of them :   
 leh. and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto   
 them, 87 Whosoever shall receive one of such children in   
   
 mMatt.x.4. my name, receiveth me: and ™ whosoever shall receive me,   
 nNom.2i.%.receiveth not me, but him that sent me. 88" And John   
   
 answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out   
 2 read, after three days. BR some very ancient authorities they came.   
 © omit. 00 or, Was: not expressed in the original.   
 P render, ministering servant.   
   
 more and less malicious, evil spirits, selves referred to our and   
 find from Matt. xii. 45—and the per- He took the te Who can forbear see-   
 tinacity and cruelty of this one shewed ing in these narratives unfettered and   
 him to belong to the worst kind. The in lependent testimony of three   
 Lord’s saying here rather their after consistent with one another in the high-   
 guidance, than their present; for they est form and spirit of truthfulness,   
 could not fast while He was with them, differing in mere letter? St. Mark’s   
 ch, ii. account is again richest fullest,   
 30—82.] SzcoND ANNOUNCEMENT OF we can hardly doubt that if the literal   
 HIs DEATH AND RESURRECTION. Matt. exact detail of fact is in question,   
 xvii, 22, 23. Luke ix. 43—45, where see have it here. 33.) Between the com-   
 notes, as this is included in the ing to Capernaum, and this hap-   
 two others. med the demand of the tribute-money,   
 88 - 50.) DiscouRsE RESPECTING THE t. xvii. 34.) There is no   
 GREATEST AMONG THEM. Matt. xviii. real difference the matter in question   
 Luke ix. 46—50. Here again the three here (and in Luke), in Matthew. The   
 accounts are independent, and differ in kingdom of heaven was looked as about   
 some particulars unimportant in them- soon to appear: and their relative   
 selves, but very instractive for a right ow would be assumed as their relative   
 comparison of the three Gospels. First rank then. The difference the erpres-   
 take St. Luke’s The disciples sion of this a mark of independence and   
 been disputing ;—our Lord knowing the authority. 35.) See Matt. xx. and   
 strife of their took a child, note. 36. taken him in his arms]   
 then compare St. Mark—owr Lord asked This particular learn from Mark.   
 ’ them, on coming into a house, what had 87.] See Matt. x. 38.) Only found   
 been the subject of their dispute besides in vv. 49, 50. Notice   
 were silent shame ;—He sat down, the repetition of he followeth not us as   
 delivered his sentence the twelve,—and characteristic Mark. The connexion of   
 then took the child, &.—Lastly turn to this remark with what goes before, «If   
 St. Matthew. There, the disciples the receiving any one, a little child,