

the hearts of the heathen, that they may be saved through faith in Jesus.

IV. THE HOLY SPIRIT AS TEACHER.—12-14. Many things to say . . . ye cannot bear them now. For example, teaching as to the meaning of Christ's death would only puzzle and trouble them until after the crucifixion and resurrection. The Spirit of truth . . . guide you ; in learning and obeying the truths of the gospel, and in making them known to others. **Not speak from himself** (Rev. Ver.) ; but as the messenger and interpreter of the Father and the Son. **Whosoever he shall hear . . . speak ; so that the whole authority of the Godhead will be behind his words,** as was the case with the words of Jesus, ch. 14 : 10. **Show you things to come ;** truths not yet made known (v. 12), especially concerning the progress of Christ's kingdom and its final triumph, and the end of the world. **Glorify me ;** show Jesus to the world, that all might love and adore him (compare ch. 1 : 14).

Spirit said to help our infirmities ? (Rom. 8 : 26.) Who is here said to send the Holy Spirit ? In what other ways is the sending of the Holy Spirit described ? Why is the Holy Spirit called the Spirit of truth ? What was he to do for Christ ? Of what were the disciples to bear witness ? Where and how did they receive power to be Christ's witnesses ? (Acts 1 : 8.)

Ch. 16 : 7 Why was it better for the disciples that Jesus should leave them ?

8-11 What is meant by "the world ?" What does the Holy Spirit do for these ? Where are those who do not believe in Christ said to be "condemned already ?" (John 3 . 18.) Where is it said that there is no condemnation to those who are in Christ ? (Rom 8 : 1.)

12-14 Give an example of teaching for which the disciples were not prepared. What does the Holy Spirit do for believers ? What is meant by "he shall glorify me ?"

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Can we know Christ without the Holy Spirit ?
2. Can we be sure that the Holy Spirit is teaching us ?

A PRAYER

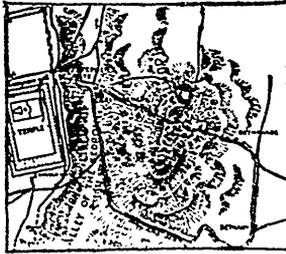
Spirit of God, descend upon our hearts. Wean us from earth. Teach us of the Father's love. Draw us near to Christ. Show us the truth. Make plain to us the words of God in the Bible. Be thou our companion, our comforter, our guide. Make us partners with thee in bringing the world to the foot of the cross, that God's name may be praised. Amen.

Prove from Scripture—That the Holy Spirit has come to earth.

Shorter Catechism—Review Questions 88-93.

The Question on Missions—9. What does the missionary lady doctor do besides the hospital work ? She has, at times, to help in the boys' and girls' schools, and with the women's work in the city and country churches. In her journeys she holds classes for Bible study and treats the sick. In all the villages she meets men or women who have been at the hospital, and are grateful for the help they got there.

THE GEOGRAPHY LESSON



THE VALLEY OF THE KIDRON begins to the north of Jerusalem. After trending for a mile and a half to the southeast, it turns sharply to the south of the city, until it meets the Valley of Hinnom. Then bending again

to the southeast, it runs in a winding course to the Dead Sea. The "brook Cedron" (the same as Kidron) of John 18 : 1, is merely a torrent formed by the winter rains, which vanishes in the summer, leaving the bed of the valley dry. The valley is only 20 miles long, but in that short distance there is a descent of 3,912 feet.

LESSON QUESTIONS

26, 27 What title is here used of the Holy Spirit ? What does the title literally mean ? Where is the

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. Why was it better for his disciples that Jesus should go away ?
2. Of what three things does the Holy Spirit convict the world ?
3. What does the Holy Spirit do for us ?

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