

**HOME READINGS.**

M. Job 23. 1-10. Tu. Psalm 81. 9-16. W. Psalm 180.  
Th. 1 Peter 1. 1-9. F. Rom. 10. 1-9. S. Isa. 57. 18-18.  
S. Psalm 139. 1-12.

**GOLDEN TEXT.**

What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter. (John 13. 7.)

**LESSON HYMNS.**

New Canadian Hymnal, Nos. 210, 40, 325.  
Dominion Hymnal, Nos. 275, 119, 270.

**QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.**

- 1. The Soul's cry, v. 1-5.**  
Whose cry have we in the lesson?  
What does he say of his trials?  
What is his cry of longing?  
What would he do before the Lord?  
What would he seek to know?  
What cry of the soul is sure of answer? (Psalm 84. 2.)  
What promise cheers the soul in trial? (GOLDEN TEXT.)
- 2. The Soul's Hope, v. 6-10.**  
What hope had Job in God's power?  
What would this hope encourage him to do?  
What does he say about searching after God?  
What did God know about him?  
How fully does God know the way of everyone? (Psalm 139. 1-4.)  
What was Job's confidence in trial?  
What said Jesus about trials? (John 16. 33.)  
What man is blessed by trials? (James 1. 12.)

**THE LESSON CATECHISM.**

1. For what did Job long? That he might plead his cause before God.

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**LESSON IV. JOB'S CONFESSION AND RESTORATION.**

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Job 42. 1-10.

[Comment to memory verses 5, 6.]

- 1 Then Job answered the Lord, and said,
- 2 I know that thou canst do everything, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.
- 3 Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.
- 4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.
- 5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear; but now mine eye seeth thee:
- 6 Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.
- 7 And it was so, that after the Lord had spoken these words unto Job, the Lord said to Eliphaz the Temanite,

2. For what did Job mourn? That he could not find God.
3. What comforted Job? That God knew the way he took.
4. What is the purpose of all trials? That when we are tried we may come forth as gold.
5. Where do we find God? In the person of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
6. What does our Lord and Saviour say? GOLDEN TEXT, "What I do thou knowest not now," etc.

**EXPLANATIONS.**

**My stroke**—Better, the hand; that is, God's hand pressed the groans of bitterness from Job's suffering soul. **His seat**—The judgment seat of God. Job thinks that if he could only find God, meet him face to face, he could clear his own character and show the injustice of his tribulations. **I would know the words which he would answer**—"If God would only speak I could understand him, and depend upon the truth he uttered; but man misjudges me." **But he knoweth the way I take**—Job has been lamenting that whether he turns northward, southward, eastward, or westward he cannot see God, and so cannot present his cause to him as an earthly sovereign; but at last he remembers that God is omniscient, and his confidence is renewed. **As gold**—That is, all the better for the fiery trial.

**CATECHISM QUESTIONS.**

19. How does the Lord teach us by his Spirit?  
All the Scriptures were written under the Holy Spirit's inspiration; and he who inspired them will show their meaning to such as humbly ask him.
20. What do you mean by the Holy Spirit's inspiration?  
That he put it into the minds of holy men to write, and instructed them how to write.

**HOME READINGS.**

M. Job 41. 1-8. Tu. Job 42. 7-10. W. Job 40. 1-14.  
Th. 2 Cor. 7. 4-11. F. Job 42. 12-17. S. Psalm 66. 1-12.  
S. Psalm 84. 1-8.

**GOLDEN TEXT.**

Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy. (James 5. 11.)

**LESSON HYMNS.**

New Canadian Hymnal, Nos. 4, 54, 25.  
Dominion Hymnal, Nos. 1, 58, 65.

**QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.**

- 1. Confession, v. 1-6.**  
To whom did Job make confession?  
What did he know about God's power?  
What question did he ask?  
How had he shown unwisdom in speech?  
What now was his desire?  
How had Job before known the Lord?  
How did he now know him?  
What was the result of this knowledge?  
How did he now know him?  
What is promised to true confession? (Prov. 28. 13.)  
What is John's assurance about confession? (1 John 1. 9.)

**2. Restoration, v. 7-10.**

- To whom did the Lord speak in rebuke?  
What did he say to Eliphaz?  
What offering did the Lord demand?  
Who would intercede for these men?  
What warning was given against obedience?  
What did the men do?  
What did the Lord do for Job?  
What should we do for one another? (James 5. 16.)  
What lesson does Job's history teach? (GOLDEN TEXT.)

**THE LESSON CATECHISM.**

1. What did Job confess? He had talked about what he had not understood.
2. How did he say he felt when confronted by God's greatness and goodness? "I abhor myself and repent in dust and ashes."
3. Why was God angry with Job's three friends, Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar? Because they had not repented, as had Job.
4. What did God tell Job to do? To offer a sacrifice, and pray for them.
5. What did the Lord give to Job? Twice as much as he had before.
6. What is the GOLDEN TEXT? "Ye have heard of the patience of Job," etc.