

the standard laid down by Christ, Matt. 10: 37. Read too, Mark 10: 29, 30. **On the third day**—The distance from Beersheba to Moriah, was about 45 miles. **5. Come again to you**—This was not spoken to deceive the men, nor was it the confused utterance of an agitated mind, but he really believed that they would both come back alive. See Heb. 11: 19. **6. Do you see any resemblance here again between Isaac and Christ?** Read John 19: 17. **8. Abraham believes that "in some way or other the Lord will provide."** He is not ready just yet to tell Isaac the whole truth. **9. Bound Isaac his son**—He was strong enough to have resisted if he had wished. He must have had faith as strong as his father's, and must have loved and trusted his father to a wonderful degree. What is required in the fifth commandment? Again point out the resemblance between Isaac and Christ (John 10: 17, 18). - **10. The sacrifice was virtually offered** (Jas. 2: 21; Heb. 11: 17). It is hard to realize what a terrible moment that was for Abraham, yet he did not flinch, although his heart was breaking.

III. FAITH REWARDED. 11. The angel of the Lord—When we read of God appearing after the fall, in some visible form, we are to understand that it was Jesus, before his birth at Bethlehem. It was Jesus who spoke to our first parents; made a covenant with Noah; called Abraham; wrestled with Jacob; spoke to Moses out of the burning bush, &c. (Acts 7: 38). **Now I know**—God here speaks "after the manner of men." He knew what was in Abraham's heart, but as a judge cannot sentence or acquit a prisoner from his private knowledge of facts, but must go by the evidence brought out in court, so God now proved that Abraham was worthy to be the "father of the faithful," and the fountain head of the blessings which were to come through faith. **13. God did provide the "lamb" for the burnt offering.** What a happy pair knelt before that altar. The sorrowful refrain "so they went both of them together," may now be changed into "so they praised God both of them together."

To the Scholar.—Study the lesson carefully, turning up the marginal references and reading the "Daily Portions." Then close your Bible and try to answer in writing the questions following *without accepting aid from any quarter* after you have begun to write. Then bring this leaflet to Sabbath School with you on the day of its date. If you cannot come, fill out the blank and send the leaflet (with the answers written out) to your teacher by some friend, or by mail, and you will receive credit for the work done as if you had been present. If your excuse is satisfactory, you will not lose in record of attendance.

- 1.—What did God tell Abraham to do? (3)
- 2.—How soon did he obey? (3)
- 3.—How far did he journey? (4)
- 4.—What question did Isaac ask, and what answer did Abraham give? (4)
- 5.—What did Abraham say that shewed that he expected to bring Isaac back alive? (4)
- 6.—In what respect did Isaac resemble Christ? (7)

Name.....

Dear Teacher,—Please excuse my absence from Sabbath School to-day, I cannot come because; I have read the "Daily Portions" and answered the questions as well as I could. I have committed to memory verses in addition to the Golden Text, and Questions in the Catechism and have recited them to I was at church I send with this my Weekly Offering of cents.