

the people—how they were sincere in their repentance—God's coming again to his people.] Moses pleads again for the people, and the Lord promised him, "My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest." "Whatsoever thou askest of me that will I do, for thou has found grace in my sight." Was God still angry with the people? What had he done for them? If Moses had not gone to God would the people have been forgiven? No, and he had to ask earnestly for it. If you should lose something valued very much, what would you do? Look for it. Yes: I am going to write a little word on the board which has the same meaning. You may spell it for me. SOUGHT, that is, looked for. Moses did what? [point] sought; for what? Forgiveness. Did he go away without it? No. Why? because God gave him what he asked for. We will write another little word here. FOUND. Moses sought and—[found]—forgiveness. Spell another word which I write. PROMISED. Now read for me. [Let the class read the word on the board in this way, as you point; forgiveness promised, sought, and found.]

I have a beautiful promise to-day which God has sent to little children: "They that seek me early shall find me." [Class repeat.] What is it that you have repeated? A promise. Yes. This is a precious promise, and God means that he will send forgiveness to all those that seek him, and especially to those that seek him while they are young. What is the rest of the promise? Shall find. Yes, dear children, all that seek him shall find him. He will turn no one away. I want you all to be very quiet and see what I am about to write on the board. It is a little question for you. HAVE I? [Let the class read the question in a subdued tone; and in gentle, loving words show them how they may seek Jesus in the forgiveness of sin, and that those that seek him shall find him because he has promised.]

Miscellaneous.

THEMES FOR BIBLE READINGS.

1. FORGIVENESS SOUGHT. Exod. xxxiv. 9; Joel. ii. 17; Psa. xxv. 7; li. 1.
2. FORGIVENESS PROMISED. Acts v. 31; Psa. xxxiv. 18; Ezek. xxxiii. 10, 11; Isa. xxxviii. 17.
3. FORGIVENESS GRANTED. Mark. ii. 5-7, 10; Luke vii. 47-49; Psa. lxxviii. 38; Isa. i. 18.
4. THE SOURCE OF FORGIVENESS. Exod. xxxiii. 17; Titus ii. 14; Rom. ii. 4; Exod.

xxxiv. 6; Isa. xlii. 25; Psa. lxxxvi. 15; Dan. ix. 9; Acts v. 31.

5. THE OBJECT OF FORGIVENESS. Psa. cxxi. 4; Rome. viii. 1; Dan. iv. 27; 1 John i. 9.

6. THE FORGIVEN FORGIVING. Mark. xi. 25, 26; John xiii. 35; 1 Peter iv. 8; 1 John iv. 20.

7. MERCIFUL INVITATIONS. Matt. xi. 28; Isa. lxxv. 24; John xiv. 14; 1 John v. 14, 15; Isa. lv. 1, 7; Psa. ciii. 12.

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LESSON IV.—*The Tabernacle Set Up.*
Exod. xl. 17-30.

GOLDEN TEXT: Psa. lxxxiv. 1.

Berean Notes.

I. GENERAL STATEMENT.

If you would find the deep spiritual import of the Tabernacle, and of the terms used in connection therewith, read St. Paul's explanation as given in the eighth, ninth, and tenth chapters of Hebrews.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT.

The hosts of Israel are still at Sinai. The chapters of Exodus between the last lesson and the present refer chiefly to the offerings made for the Tabernacle, and the mode of its construction. The work being completed, God commands Moses to "set up the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation." Exod. xl. 2.

III. NOTES AND ILLUSTRATIONS.

1. THE TABERNACLE SET UP, vers. 17-19, (1) *Preparation of the Tabernacle.* IT CAME TO PASS. God had commanded that a "sanctuary" be built, in which the most sacred rites of religion should be performed. a. It was prepared after a model furnished by God himself. Exod. xxv. 9, 40; Heb. viii. v. b. With willing offerings from the people. xxv. 2-7. c. A costly and beautiful structure. "There is no inherent connection between ugliness and godliness."—Stanley. d. To be the dwelling-place of God. xxv. 8; xxix. 42, 43, 45. Hence its various names: "tent," (xxvi. 11, 12); "tabernacle," (13); tent of meeting," (xxix. 43); "tent of the testimony," and "tabernacle of witness," (Num. ix. 19; xvii. 7; xviii. 2); "house of the Lord," (Deut. xxxiii. 18; Josh. ix.