

Lesson XIII.

REVIEW

September 29, 1907

Golden Text—The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.—Psalm 103 : 8.

REPEAT—Golden Texts for the Quarter. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSONS, viz. : BIBLE WORK ; SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGES ; PRIMARY CATECHISM—Questions 34-47 ; SHORTER CATECHISM—Questions 61-72 ; SUPPLEMENTAL HYMN ; THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS—Questions 1-12.

A Long Journey

In the Quarter's Lessons, we see a great crowd of people, men, women and little children, going on a long journey from Egypt to the Promised Land.

LESSON I. Here they are all gathering something white from the ground and eating it. This is manna, the food that fell from heaven.

LESSONS II. AND III. How quiet the people are here ! They are gathered around a great mountain, Mount Sinai. Moses is away up in that cloud on the top of the mountain, and God is speaking to him the Ten Commandments.

LESSON IV. See how all the people are dancing and singing ! They are worshipping that golden calf ; and there is Aaron offering sacrifices to it. Far up on the mountain, we see Moses hurrying down to stop them.

LESSON V. What beautiful new tent is this ? It is the tabernacle the Israelites have made for the worship of God.

LESSON VI. Those two men who are being carried out dead from the tabernacle are Nadab and Abihu. They behaved badly in God's tabernacle.

LESSON VII. All the people are crowded round the tabernacle to-day. It is the great Day of Atonement, and for the only time in the year, Aaron the high priest, goes into the most holy place of all to meet with God there.

LESSON VIII. See this long, long line of people marching across the desert. The Israelites have started out from Mount Sinai, and are again on their way to the Promised Land. The pillar of cloud and of fire goes before them to show them the way.

LESSON IX. They are all resting again, right on the edge of the Promised Land. See those twelve men telling what the land is like. They are the twelve spies.

LESSON X. Why is it that the people are away back in the desert again ? They are being punished for not going right into the Promised Land. What awful trouble they are in ! Look at those fiery serpents, darting about biting them. But Moses is holding up a brass serpent on a pole, and, How wonderful ! every one who has been bitten and who looks at it is made well again.

LESSON XI. Here the people are once more resting. They have come near to their Promised Land again. Moses is standing up, speaking to them. He is telling them to be very good in their new home.

LESSON XII. Here is Moses again standing up on a high hill. Away down below him, the people are standing weeping, for Moses has not said good-by to them. He looks away over the beautiful Promised Land, but he does not go. God does not allow him to go into it. He dies on the mountain, and God Himself buried him.

Lesson Hymn

Whither, pilgrims, are you going,
Going each with staff in hand ?
We are going on a journey,
Going at our King's command ;

Over hills and plains and valleys,
We are going to His palace,
Going to the better land. Amen.
—Hymn 583, Book of Praise

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

That God will be merciful to me