

A Page for the Young.

ABUNDANT GIVING.

The sun gives ever, so the earth ;
What it can give, so much 'tis worth.
The ocean gives in many ways ;
Gives paths, gives rivers, fishes, bays ;
So, too, the air, it gives us breath,
When it stops giving comes in death.

Give, give, be always giving,
Who gives not is not living ;
The more we give the more we live.

God's love, though in our wealth upheaped,
Only by giving it is reaped ;
The body withers, and the mind,
If pent in by a selfish rind.
Give thought, give strength, give deeds, give
pelf,
Give love, give tears, and give thyself.
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A FINE EXAMPLE OF CHRISTIAN LIBERALITY.

There were two poor boys, brothers, in the city of New York who learned to be blacksmiths ; one of them, when he had learned his trade, hired himself as a journeyman. He had laid by in the savings' bank all he had in the world—£20. He went to a missionary meeting in Old Green Street Church—the first missionary meeting that he attended after he came to the city—and his heart was so stirred within him that he gave every penny he had to the missionary cause. That man lived to establish the New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society, and for many years before he was called to his rest he gave away annually from £8,000 to £10,000. The more he gave the more he had, and, after giving that sum for years for the purpose of opening and building churches, and paying ministers to occupy their pulpits, he died a rich man. After he died, his brother, who became somewhat wealthy, was appointed president of the society that had been created and carried forward by the one who had died. That man is the president of the society still, and there are churches scattered all over the city of New York where there would be no churches but for his liberality, and that of those whom he had brought about him. That brother is giving away now from £4,000 to £6,000 a year to carry forward that work in the city of New York, and yet he is one of the largest contributors to the missionary society,

MISSIONARY CATECHISM, OR BIBLE RULES FOR GIVING.

1. Q. What did the Lord Jesus say about giving?

A. It is more blessed to give than to receive.—*Acts* xx, 35.

2. Q. What kind of a giver does God love?

A. God loveth a cheerful giver.—*2 Cor.* ix, 7.

3. Q. How have we received, and how should we give?

A. Freely ye have received, freely give.—*Matt.* x, 8.

4. Q. How much should we give?

A. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which He hath given thee.—*Deut.* xvi, 17.

(Also,) Thus shalt give unto the Lord thy God according as the Lord thy God has blessed thee.—*Deut.* xvi, 10.

5. Q. What is the least that we should give?

A. Of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give the *tenth* unto thee.—*Gen.* xxviii, 22.

6. Q. How are our gifts accepted?

A. If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.—*2 Cor.* viii, 12.

7. Q. How should we honour the Lord?

A. Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase.—*Prov.* iii, 9.

8. Q. What promise does God make to such?

A. So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.—*Prov.* iii, 10.

9. Q. What is said of him that pities the poor?

A. He that hath pity upon the poor *lendeth* unto the Lord ; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.—*Prov.* xix, 17.

10. Q. How shall we give?

A. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give ; not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver.—*2 Cor.* ix, 7.

11. Q. From whom does God accept offerings?

A. Of every man that giveth it willingly, with his heart, ye shall take my offering.—*Ex.* xxv, 2.

“Two little eyes to look to God,
Two little ears to hear His Word,
Two little feet to run in His way,
Two little hands to work every day :

One little tongue to speak His truth,
One little heart to trust Him in youth :
Take them, my Lord, and let them be
Always obedient and true to Thee.”