

Optional Hymns.

Come with thy sins to the fountain.
The Spirit and the Bride say "Come!"
Jesus, my Lord, to thee I cry.
Love divine, all love excelling.
Saviour, let me still abide.

I bring my sins to thee.
To-day the Saviour calls.
The Saviour is calling.
Come, every soul by sin oppressed.
Jesus Christ is passing by.

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LESSON IV. The Lame Man Healed.

[Jan. 26.]

GOLDEN TEXT. The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation. Exod. 15. 2.

AUTHORIZED VERSION.

[Read Acts 3.]

Acts 3. 1-10.

[Commit to memory verses 6-8.]

1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the ninth hour.

2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up; and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:

10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

REVISED VERSION.

1 Now Peter and John were going up into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the

2 ninth hour. And a certain man that was lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the door of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms

3 of them that entered into the temple; who seeing Peter and John about to go into the

4 temple, asked to receive an alms. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him, with John, said,

5 Look on us. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something from them.

6 But Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but what I have, that give I thee. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.

7 And he took him by the right hand, and raised him up; and immediately his feet and

8 his ankle bones received strength. And leaping up, he stood, and began to walk; and he entered with them into the temple, walk-

9 ing, and leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising

10 God; and they took knowledge of him, that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.