

The Sunday School

BIBLE LESSON.

Abridged from Peloubet's Notes.

Third Quarter, 1903.

OCTOBER TO DECEMBER.

Lesson XIII. December 27.—Review and Christmas Lesson. Read Psalm 103 and Matthew 2: 1-12.

EXPLANATORY.

THE KINGDOM OF DAVID.

The Reign of Saul.

B. C. 1095-1055, or 1037-1017.

A new era in Israelitish history.

A preparation for the reign of David.

Warning.

Disobedience.

Rejection.

Destruction.

The Kingdom of David.

B. C. 1055-1015, or 1017-977.

It may be possible to give fresh interest to the review of David's reign if we imagine the queen of the South, when she visited Solomon, listening to the history of David's reign as told by some aged prophet who had lived through it all.

THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST.

This review can be made a very effective and interesting Christmas lesson. For the kingdom of David was the antitype of the kingdom of Christ. Jesus was the son of David, and continued his line, and renewed his kingdom. The promises to David were completely fulfilled only in Jesus. The wise men from the East sought from afar the new-born King, as the queen of the South sought the kingdom of David as completed by David's son Solomon.

The preparation by Saul and his reign is comparable to the Jewish nation just before the time of Christ. Saul and his new era prepared the way for the splendid development under David. The Jews by their dispersion, by their synagogue services, their careful preserving and teaching of the Scriptures, their subjection to the Romans, their rebuilding of the temple, were a part of the preparation for Christ.

JESUS, THE SON OF DAVID.
Born at Bethlehem.

Youth and Training. David's youth and training was a foregleam of the earthly childhood of Jesus. David's early training was exactly the best for the work he was to do in life,—in a country home, religious and intelligent, with sufficient temptation, but not overwhelming till he was fully grown, amid daily duties that developed him physically as well as mentally, amid the influence of nature, of music, of meditation? He had physical strength, beauty, and attractiveness. He had natural abilities of a high order and great variety. He was business man, statesman, warrior, musician, and poet. "There was," says Kitto, "a rare combination in him of all that was gentle, tender, and mild, with the most exalted enthusiasm, the most noble aspirations, the most generous sentiments, the most manly deportment, the most heroic daring, and the most invincible prowess, joined to invariable consideration for others, open-heartedness, humbleness, and entire absence of all pretention." He had the conditions of power over men. "He had a wonderfully rich, lovable character. He moved many men with that irresistible

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fascination which only the greatest exercise." David learned many lessons in the court of Saul, and in his exile which fitted him for his kingly duties. He learned the character and needs of his people by living among them, suffering their trials, experiencing their grievances and privations and sorrows.

So Jesus became man and passed through childhood and youth in order that being "touched with the feeling of our infirmities," "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" he might be "able to succour them that are tempted" (Heb. 2: 18; 4: 15). King of the Jews. Jesus was the king of the Jews whom the Magi sought. He was the descendant of David and inheritor of the promises to David, and of the everlasting throne of David, and the world-wide kingdom which grew out of David's kingdom. All the riches and splendors of David's kingdom as developed by Solomon were poor and dim beside the blessings of the kingdom of Jesus, spiritual riches beyond measure, comforts, joys, peace, education, character, love, and all outward blessings that flow from them.

The Seekers. As the queen of Sheba came from afar to hear the wisdom and see the glories of the kingdom of the Jews, the story of which had reached her ears, so the wise men from the East came to find the new-born king at Bethlehem.

The queen had a large kingdom, gold and spices, but there was something more she wanted. The wise men had wisdom and knowledge, but they had heard of diviner wisdom and higher knowledge for which their souls longed.

The Finding. Both found the object of their search, and to both "not half had been told."

Royal Gifts. The queen brought royal gifts to Solomon, and the wise men brought gifts to the infant Jesus,—"myrrh to a mortal, gold to a king, frankincense to God." And both received more than they gave.

Possibilities. There was no limit to the blessings which David's kingdom might inherit for itself and for the world, if only the rulers and the people would be filled with the right spirit, obey God from their hearts, and keep all his commandments. Where they failed the failure was due to refusing the necessary conditions. The development was slow, there were many failures and some disasters, but there was a gradual progress and a new movement and assured success through great David's greater Son.

In something the same way and for the same reasons the kingdom of Christ has not yet realized its possibilities, but the progress is becoming more rapid, and soon

"Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successful journeys run."

LITERARY NOTE.

Jocelyn Lewis a new writer of stories for and about children, whose book "The Adventures of Dorothy" is to be published soon by the Outlook Company, was described in the title of an article written by her recently for one of the magazines as "an educated wage-earner." In writing of her experiences in this article, she said "It was with no chivalrous notion of living among wage-earners in order to be useful to them either as an example or as a reporter that I sought employment in a factory, but simply because I needed ready money, every week, for living expenses, and the factory paid from the beginning."

Sir Frederick Lorden has concurred in Lord Dunsford's recommendation for the purchase of a site near Kazabazua, on the Gatineau Valley Railway, some forty odd miles from the capital, upon which to locate the proposed central training camp for the militia. The property comprises about 30,000 acres, and is beautifully wooded and watered, there being no less than eight lakes within its limits. English army officers, who were lately taken up to view the place, pronounced it superior to Aldershot, Salisbury, or in fact any English military camp. The site is a strip of land running four miles east and west, and eight miles north and south. A permanent barracks will be erected on what is known as big Danford Lake. The C. P. R., which lately acquired the Gatineau Valley Railway, will construct a branch from Kazabazua to the proposed barracks, a distant of three miles. One thousand men, comprising all branches of the service, will occupy the camp each year from May to October. Two thousand additional men will be trained there during the summer.

The Bondelzwart tribesmen, who are engaged in a native rebellion in Demaraland, a country of Southwest Africa forming a part of the German possessions there, hearing that reinforcements were being sent against them, redoubled their efforts and succeeded in capturing Wambad fort. They burned the fort and village, massacred all the Germans and took the English families prisoners. A relieving force from the north meanwhile engaged a large body of the natives and heavy fighting ensued, the result of which is not known. The rising is supposed to be due to the execution of a Bondelzwart chief by German officers.

A Diploma Received by the I. C. R. For Exhibit of Pictures at the Toronto Exposition.

A diploma has been received by General Traffic Manager Tiffin from the directors of the Dominion Industrial Exposition, recently held in Toronto, on which appears the words "Awarded to the Intercolonial Railway by the Jury Awards for exhibit of pictures, etc." The diploma is a very fine production of the lithographic art. It will be suitably framed, and added to the railway's permanent collection. The exhibit meriting this award consisted of one hundred and twenty-seven large bromide enlargements arranged to illustrate in order the route traversed by Canada's famous train, the "Maritime express," mounted Restigouche salmon, illustrating the rise, strike, struggle and victory—and moose heads, the whole exhibit occupying nearly one thousand square feet. The many thousands of visitors to this largest of Canadian exhibitions were loud in their praise of the beautiful scenery and sporting trophies of Quebec and the Provinces by the Sea, and it will no doubt result in many of our Upper Canadian brothers visiting us next year.

A bill prescribing the death penalty for the crime of killing the president of the United States, the vice-president, ambassadors or ministers of foreign countries accredited to the United States, was introduced in the house by Mr. Littlefield, Maine. The bill prescribes life imprisonment for attempt to commit bodily injury against the president or vice-president. Persons who aid or abet any of the crimes mentioned are deemed principal offenders. The harboring of persons guilty of the offences mentioned is made punishable by twenty-five years imprisonment. A fine and imprisonment penalty is provided for the teaching of anarchistic doctrine, and for conspiring within or without the United States for the killing of a ruler chief executive of any other country.

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