

Something to Look Up

1. God promised Abraham that his descendants would be as many as the stars of heaven or the sand on the sea shore. Find the promise.

2. Where does David say that God's loving kindness is better than life?

ANSWERS, Lesson I.—(1) Gen. 32 : 22-32.
(2) Ps. 37 : 7.

For Discussion

1. Should we pay any attention to dreams in guiding our lives?

2. Is the law of the tithe now binding on Christians?

Prove from Scripture

That God's servants enjoy His presence.

The Catechism

Ques. 52. *Reasons for obedience to the Second Commandment.* These reasons are three in number : 1. God is a King, and we are His lawful subjects. The scriptures are full of this idea of God's kingship. 2. God is an Owner, and we belong to Him: The "word 'propriety' comes from a Latin adjective which means 'one's own'. It denotes 'exclusive right of possession.'" (Salmond.) God has a title of ownership in the fact that He has made us. He has a still stronger title in that He has redeemed us. Paul expresses

this divine claim in 1 Cor. 6 : 19, 20. 3. God is zealous for His own worship. The word "zeal" comes from a Greek root meaning "to boil," and denotes "intense interest." God is so deeply interested in His worship, that He will not overlook anything unworthy in it. (See 2 Kgs. 19 : 31 ; Isa. 9 : 7.)

The Question on Missions

2. *When were Protestant Missions first established in Formosa?* In the seventeenth century by the Dutch. During the period when they occupied the island a large number of Dutch missionaries went out to Formosa and carried on mission work among the aborigines. These aborigines were taught to read and write, and many thousands are said to have become converts to the Christian faith. Some of the old Dutch manuscripts describing this mission work are still extant, and also lists of the names of these early Protestant missionaries. Unfortunately, after the Dutch were driven out of the island by Koxinga, the work of these missionaries was largely lost, so that now there are practically no traces of this early missionary work. Evidences of the Dutch occupation of the island are to be found in some names of articles and places that obviously date from that period, and also in the old brick forts that still remain in Tamsui, Anping and Tainan.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Lesson Subject—How a man becomes good.

Introduction—You can all tell what I am drawing.



Here is one upright line, here another. We'll join them with these cross lines. Yes, it is a ladder. Tell me the use of a ladder. Perhaps some of you have tried to climb a ladder and mother or nurse has called, "Look out! You'll fall. Get down off the ladder." We are going to hear a story about a wonderful ladder reaching up to heaven, with angels coming and going upon it.

Review—What did we last hear of Jacob?

Lesson—Jacob now flees from home at Beersheba, and hurries