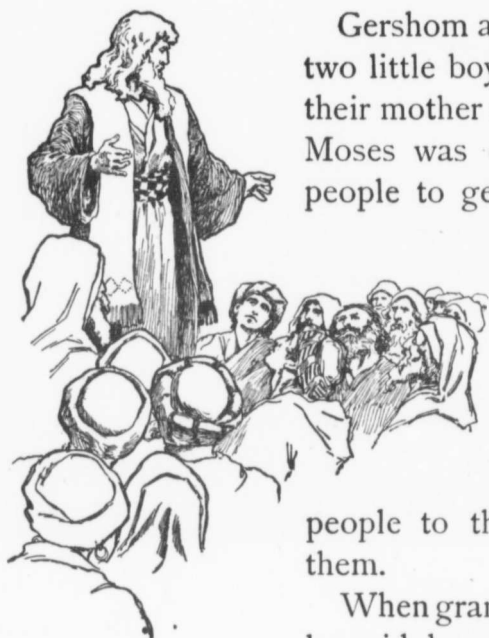


## JETHRO'S COUNSEL

Exodus, chapter 18



Gershom and Baby Eliezer were Moses' two little boys. They were staying with their mother at Grandfather Jethro's while Moses was down in Egypt helping his people to get away from cruel Pharaoh.

Gershom liked to visit at grandfather's, but he often wished his big, strong father would come home again.

At last news came that Moses had reached Mount Sinai. He was leading his people to the land God had promised them.

When grandfather heard the good news, he said he would take mother and Gershom and Eliezer to meet father. And immediately they set out. As they drew near the camp, Moses saw them, and hurried out. How glad he was to see them.

The next day I suppose Mother Zipporah spent getting settled in the new tent. Grandfather Jethro went with Moses about his work.

It was a very hard day for Moses. All day he sat and listened as the people came and told him their troubles and asked his advice. Sometimes, I am sorry to say, he had to settle quarrels. When evening came he was very, very tired. Grandfather Jethro saw it and he looked grave.

"You cannot stand this," he said. "You will become