

FAMILY READING.

GOOD FRIDAY HYMN.

O Sacred Head, once wounded, With grief and pain weighed down!

How art thou pale with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn!

What language shall I borrow To praise thee, heavenly Friend,

Be near when I am dying, O show thy cross to me!

THE LORD IS RISEN.

Sing praise! The tomb is void Where the Redeemer lay;

Weep for your dead no more; Friends, be of joyful cheer,

He who so patiently The crown of thorns did wear,

Now is His truth revealed, His majesty and might;

He who for men did weep, Suffer and bleed and die,

His victory hath destroyed The shafts that once could slay;

THE "I WON'T" OF THE ENGINEER.

BY S. E. E.

A country pastor thus speaks of his experience—

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INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS.

SECOND QUARTER—STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

B. C. 510. LESSON III. QUEEN ESTHER; or, The Lord's Deliverance. Esther 4, 10-17. April 20.

EXPLANATORY AND PRACTICAL.

Verse 10. Esther. A Jewess, of the tribe of Benjamin, who, being left an orphan, was adopted by her cousin Mordecai.

11, 12. Do know. The custom had been established by one of the earliest kings of Media, and afterward adopted by the Persians.

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life well-lived is working out some divine plan." 9. "We know not what great results may depend upon actions seemingly slight."

15, 16, 17. Jews that are present. The Jews have in every period of their history shown a fondness for cities, and would probably be quite numerous in the capital, since nearly all the Persian kings, like Cyrus, had shown them special favors.

14. "In the example of Esther note: 1. Decision; 2. Patriotism; 3. Courage; 4. Self-sacrifice; 5. Faith; 6. Belief in the power of prayer."

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13, 14. Think not. Esther having kept her nationality a secret, might selfishly hope to escape the slaughter of her people.

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