

SABBATH, September 21.—LESSON XII.—The Gracious Call.—Matt. v. 25-30.

Leader. 25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Luke x. 21; Psa. viii. 2.

School. 26 Even so, father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

L. 27 All things are delivered unto me of my Father; and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither

knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.

S. 28 Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

L. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. John xiii. 15; Zech. ix. 9.

S. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

TOPIC—The invitation—gracious, full, rich, and free.

Golden Text—Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. John vi. 37.

Home Readings.

M. Matt. xi. 25-30.

Tu. Isa. lv.

W. Rom. viii. 31-39.

Th. Isa. liv. 4-17.

F. Rev. vii. 9-17.

S. Isa. lx. 1-17.

S. John viii. 12-32.

LESSON SCHEME.**BIBLE SEARCHINGS:**

Isa. xxxv. 8.	John vi. 37, 68.	John vii. 37.
Luke x. 21, 22.	2 Cor. iv. 16, 17.	Psa. lv. 22.
John xiv. 8, 9.	Matt. xviii. 3.	John xiv. 1, 27.
Rev. xxii. 17.	Phil. ii. 9-11.	2 Cor. xii. 9, 10.

OUTLINE:

I. THE GOSPEL FOR THE HUMBLEST AND WEAKEST, v. 25;

II. THE OMNISCIENT SON OF GOD, v. 27;

III. THE INVITATION OF GRACE AND MERCY, v. 28-30;

IV. THE FULNESS OF REST IN JESUS, v. 29.

Recite Title, Topic, Golden Text, Selected Verses, and Outline.

1. Who are the "wise and prudent" from whom the Gospel is hid? [See Prov. xxvi. 12.]
Where should we seek wisdom? [James i. 5.]
What must be the spirit of those who would seek Jesus in truth? [Matt. xviii. 3.]

2. What must He be who knoweth all things?
What did the disciples say to Jesus in John xvi, 30?
How may we have a knowledge of God?

3. To whom is this precious invitation given? v. 28.
Is there any other relief from the weariness and heavy burden of sin?
Need any despair of help? [Note the "all."]

What promise has Jesus given to encourage us in coming? [Recite GOLDEN TEXT.]
Is there any excuse for remaining burdened with guilt?

Have you accepted this gracious invitation?
For what are we to exchange this burden? v. 29.
What is said of the demands of Christ upon our service?

v. 30.
Who is the great "burden-bearer"? [1 Peter ii. 21-24.]

4. What promise is given to those who learn of Christ? v. 29.

Why should we learn of Christ? v. 29.
What is meant by "rest"? [Freedom from guilt and the disturbing of an unquiet conscience; cessation of strife with God.]

What consolation have all God's people? [Heb. iv. 9.]

Where do we learn from this lesson—

1. That true wisdom is a gift from God?
2. That the weakest of earth may enjoy the richest of God's blessings?

3. That none need be miserable?

4. That to have right views of God we must learn his character through his Son?

5. That there is a "rest" for every weary soul?

6. That service for Christ is a rest for the troubled heart?

Hymn for Lesson XII.

TUNE—Hamburg, L. M.

Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou did'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am—poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve!
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am—thy love unknown
Hath broken every barrier down;
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

SABBATH, Sep. 28.—THIRD QUARTERLY REVIEW.—1873 A. D.

GOLDEN TEXT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER.

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." 1 Tim. i. 15.

HOME READINGS.

M. Matt. ii; Tu. Matt. iii; W. Matt. iv; Th. Matt. v. 21-29; F. Matt. x. 1-15; S. Mal. iii; Sab. Matt. xi.

TOPICS AND GOLDEN TEXTS.

Lesson 1. REJOICING IN THE REDEEMER OF THE WORLD.
... "When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." Matt. ii. 10.

Lesson 2. GOD'S WAYS ARE NOT AS OUR WAYS. ... "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Psa. xci. 11.

Lesson 3. THE SON OF GOD FULFILLING HIS FATHER'S LAW. ... "And there came a voice from heaven, saying,