

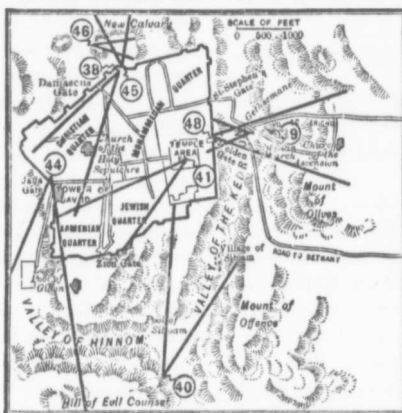
ment as a necessity for the really wise person. The Messiah must be no exception. (b) He is to be a just ruler. A just ruler was the exception in the East. The Messiah will be fair to the poor. (c) His reign will bring peace. It will bring peace in nature, and peace to the savage natures of men. Such a time seems far away yet, but we must believe it will come. (d) His reign will extend to all the world, v. 10.

2. *Christ's Work Finished*, Luke 24 : 50-53 ; Acts 1 : 1-11. All through the year our studies have been about the life of Jesus, and just lately about His death and resurrection.

Of what incident are we told here? The ascension closes Christ's earthly ministry. The work which He came to earth to do was accomplished then. Where does Luke say the ascension took place? Where did the disciples go after the ascension? Why did they return to Jerusalem? Make clear to the class the necessity of waiting for the gift of the Holy Spirit. In one sense, Christ's work was finished. In what sense was it not finished? In what sense is it not finished yet? Emphasize the fact that Christ's followers must complete His work by giving His gospel to the whole world.

THE GEOGRAPHY LESSON

Our Jerusalem map for the Lesson shows the point of a large V resting beside the city wall at the eastern edge of the town, close by the "Golden Gate." We will stand to-day at that point. The ground below is planted with olive trees, recognizable by their narrow leaves of silvery green. At the farther side of the orchard we see a heavy and high stone fence and beyond that more wall-enclosed orchards and gardens; the one at the left has a few slender, dark cypress trees standing up tall and stiff from among the low masses of shrubbery and a few olive trees. That walled garden with the cypress trees among the olives is Gethsemane. The roads leading over the hill lead to Bethany and beyond Bethany they join



the old route to Jericho. Our Lord must many a time have come down over that hill on His way to the city. The New Testament writers do not tell us the exact spot where, forty days after the resurrection, the disciples for the last time on earth saw the visible form of our Lord, but evidently it was somewhere up on the great hill before us. The tower farthest to-

wards the left,—part of the Greek Church of the Ascension—commemorates that last parting, when He who lived and died for mankind withdrew from the sight of mortal eyes.

Use a stereograph entitled, Garden of Gethsemane and Mount of Olives from the Eastern Wall.

ADDED HINTS AND HELPS

In this section will be found further assistance under various headings.

Lesson Points

God gives no task without giving also the needed equipment. Isa. 11 : 2.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." v. 3.

Men may have God upon their side,—or

they may have God against them. v. 4.

Only the righteous love of God can subdue savage natures. v. 6.

There are to be no boundaries to the kingdom of Jesus Christ. v. 9.

The standard of Christ will yet be the rallying point of the nations. v. 10.

The Christian must learn the lesson of waiting upon the Lord. Acts 1 : 4.