

HOME STUDY LEAFLET.

LESSON 12.

SEPTEMBER 26th, 1894.

3rd QUARTER.

Jésus at Jacob's Well. John 4: 9-26.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst." John 4: 14.

COMMIT TO MEMORY verses 11-14. Children's Hymnal 55, 92, 44, 73.

PROVE THAT—Jesus knows all things. John 2: 24.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Quest. 94. What is baptism?

DAILY PORTIONS.

(The Selections of the International Bible Reading Association.)

MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.	SABBATH.
John 4: 5-15	John 4: 16-26	John 4: 27-42	Isa. 55: 1-7	John 7: 28-39	Rev 22: 1-7	Rev 22: 8-17

To the Teacher—Do not credit any Scholar with having prepared the lesson who does not at least try to answer the questions. Take the leaflet home and assign a value to each answer, announcing the result on the following Sabbath. Take, or send, the Leaflet to absent scholars.

Always bring your Bible and Shorter Catechism to the Sabbath School.

HELPS IN STUDYING.

INTRODUCTORY.—Read over the verses between this and the last lesson, and find answers to the following questions. Where was John baptizing? What did they tell John about Jesus? To what did John compare himself? What did he say about the authority of Jesus? What did he say would be the consequence of not believing on him? Why did Jesus leave Judea? For what part did he set out? To what place did he come? Point out on the map, Aenon, Samaria, Galilee, Judea, Sychar. What was Sychar called in the Old Testament? Tell something that was done there in the time of the patriarchs.

LESSON PLAN. I. Living Water. vs. 9-18. II. Spiritual Worship. vs. 19-26.

I. LIVING WATER. 9. Where had Jesus' disciples gone? **A woman of Samaria**—that is, "a Samaritan woman." She lived in Sychar. **Being a Jew**—She likely detected this by his dress and accent. **The Jews have no dealings with the S.**—Read 2 Kings 17: 24-41. The Samaritans tried to hinder the building of the second temple after the return from the captivity, and set up a false worship of God on Mt. Gerizim. This enmity gives point to the parable of the Good Samaritan. (Luke 10: 30-37). **10. The gift of God**—Salvation through acceptance of Christ. (Eph. 2: 8). Christ himself is God's gift, Isa. 9: 6; Rom. 8: 32; 2 Cor. 9: 15. **Living water**—spring, or running water as opposed to that in a cistern. The water Jesus means is eternal life through belief of the truth. John 6: 63. She was more needy than Christ but did not know it. Rev. 3:

17, 18. **11. Usually an earthen jar was let down by a rope,** and the stone curbing of ancient wells is often deeply grooved by the friction of such ropes for centuries. This well is about 100 feet deep and nine feet in diameter. It is quarried through the solid rock, and must have cost immense labor. **12. Art thou greater**—If Jesus could give spring water without all this toil he must be greater than Jacob, and so he was in a sense that the woman did not yet perceive. **Our father Jacob**—The Samaritans claimed to be descended from Joseph, but they were a very mixed race. See 2 Kings 17. **13. This water**—Not only the water in the well, but every kind of earthly gratification. **14. The water that I shall give him**—all the blessings that flow from the pardon of sin and reconciliation with God. **Shall never thirst**—ch. 6: 35, 58; Rev. 7: 16; 21: 6; Isa. 55: 1;

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