LESSON NOTES.

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CONTIDENCT IN COD.

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GOLDEN TENT.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? Ps. 27: 1.

CENTRAL TRUTAL

God is the Salvation of all who put their tenst in Him.

DAILY READINGS.

True.-The date when this Psalm was written is uncertain. Either B.C. 1062-56 or B.C. 1623,

APTHOR. - Divid, according to the Inscrip-

Occusios, -Either when David was persecuted by Saul (B.C. 1062 1056), or before secured by said (B.C., 1962) from the became king, or when David was fleeing from his son Absalom, who had rebelled against him (B.C., 1923). The Psalm well expresses David steerings on efficience equation.

HELES OVER HARD PLACES -1, Th. Lord is $u = l \cdot n^{h} t = (1 \cdot l \cdot n)$. With way to righteousis no Infibe-(1-1) is, with way to righteomers and heaven; (2) to show dangers that the might avoid them; (3) to being confort, brightness, and health. 4. The I may similar the however to Level Abide under holy and redigious inducedes, continue in worship of bod, and in communion with Him. The level of the Level The attractiveness of His character and of His works. tiveness of the character and of the works. To import — To seek to light, help, guidance. 5. Hole me at the periodon — The royal pavilion was in the centre of the army, and hence well defended. The section His of race is—The innermost recesses, the Holy of Holies, into which nothing evil can come. 10.

Who my incomed the enough me Even if this strongest and Lodiest love should fail. God's love wil never fail. H. Track me to eran -A prover for guitance in the many difficult questions that arise 14. Writes to Lie - Oo to Him for what you need, bring your cross and trouble to Him, and then await His time for help.

SUBMETS TOR SPECIAL REPORT-27th Padm.—The Lord our light. Trouble and burdens leading us to God.—When troubles are be sauge.—How far God delivers us.—Dwelling in the house of the Lord. "The beauty of the Lord.—God's pavilion.
—Verse 10.—God's guidance in dilhant questions. Past experience and assurance for the future.

QUESTIONS.

Introductory -What is a Psalm? Who wrote the 27th Psalm? Under what circumstances? About what date? What is the Golden Text? What is the Central Truth? How can hymas written so long ago be of help to us?

SUBJECT: GOD IS OUR SALVATION.

1. God is OUR SALVATION IN TIMES OF TROUBLE (vs. 1-3).—Who is the Lord? What two things is He to His people? How is the Lord our Eight? From what is God our salvation? What great enemies have we? (Eph. 6: 12). What injury would they do us? How does God save us from temp-sations? 19 Car. 19: 9.4. From the parameters. do us? How does God save us from temptations? (2 Cor. 12: 9.) From the powers of evil? (Eph. 6: 13:18) In what two ways does He save us from troubles? (Ps. 107: 6, 13: Rom. 8: 28) Is the Christian always safe? Is all this a reason for becoming Challeting. Christians?

II. God is our Salvation by Keeping, us near to Himsler (vs. 4-6). What one thing did Dayld desire of the Lord? What thing did David desire of the Lord? What is it to dwell in the house of the Lord? What is communion with God? How may we have it? How does trouble lead us to it? How do prayer and worship help us to commune with God? What is it to "inquire in His temple?" What is meant here by God's pavilion? By "the secret of His tabernacle?" How did David show his gratitude for God's salvation? How should we? (Rev. 5: 9-14.) we? (Rev. 5 : 9-14.)

III. 'A PRAYER FOR SALVATION (vs. 7-12). Was David conscions of his unworthiness in God's sight? What is it to seek the face of the Lord? What is the meaning of verse 10? What is meant by the Lord's way? Who will show it to us? (John 14: 6.) Why should we pray for salvation? How should we pray if we would be answered? (Heb. 11: 6; Jann. 1: 5-7.) Had former prayers been answered? (v. 13.) How would this help him to have faith for the future? What advice does he give to all? What is it to wait on the Lord? Was David conscious of his unworthiness

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. The first need of the soul is light.

2. We are surrounded by enemies, -temptations from without, temptations from within, evil influences,—evil men, trouble, and softons.

3 God gives salvation (1) by saving us from them, or (2) by making them work our

spiritual good. 4. We are saved only when we are brought

The value of church, Sabbath school, and all worship, is to bring us into communion with God.

6. Our past deliverances give us faith for the future. David knew God would help him in his contest with Goliath, because He had helped him overcome the lion and the bear.

REVIEW EXERCISE. (For the whole School in concert.)

6. Who wrote the 27th Psalm? Ass. King David after some great trial. 7. For what did he pray? Ass. To be delivered from his enemies. 8. What did he call the Lord? (Repeat the Gelden Text.) 9. What did he greatly desire? (Repeat v. 4.) What did his experience encourage others to do? (Repeat v. 14.)

B.C. -- A LESSON XI. [Sept 14.

WAITING FOR THE LORD.

Ps. 49 1-17 Committo mem. vs. 1-4.

GOLDEN TEXT.

I delight to do thy will, O my God. -Ps.

CENTRAL TRUTH.

They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength.

Daily Readings,

Time. U David's life. Uncertain; but probably late in

TITLE .- To chief musician or leader of David's great vocal and instrumental choir. Hence to be used in public worship.

PALALLE SCRIPTURE.—The last five verses are the same as the 70th Psalm. Vs. 6-8 are quoted in Heb. 10: 5-9.

Support -This has been called a Mossi, anic Palm. Three verses are applied to Christ in Hebrews — It was true of David, at its highest fulfilment was in Jesus Christ,

HERES OVER HARD PLACES.—1. I waited pritently—With intense desire and longing.

2. Out of a horeible pit—Of trouble and of sin—dark, dismal, defiling, slippery, like miry clay, from which he could not escape. Established may goings—Enabled me to step firmly.

3. See it—His salvation from the horrible pit—And fear—It will lead them to reverence the God who so saves.

4. Blessed—"Oh, the blessedness," for they are many and various. Respecteth not the proud—Does not look to him for help.

6. Sucrifice and offer my—These four kinds mentioned here include all the kinds of sacrifice required of the Jews. Thou dost not desire—Thou dost not care for the outward form, but only HELES OVER HARD PLACES .- 1. I waited here include all the kinds of scerilice required of the Jews. Thom dost not desire—Thom dost not are for the outward form, but only for the love and obedience they should lead to. More cors lost thou opened—Made them ready to listen to God's word, and able to understand. 7. The Book—Of the law. It is increase—prescribed, commanded to me. 11. Withhold not—Rather thou will not withhold. hold. 14. Let them be ashamed and con-jounded—He would have all who work against God to fail in their purposes. Only by the failure, and sometimes by the des-truction, of the wicked can the world be made good and happy.

SUBJECTS FOR SPECIAL REPORTS .- The 4th SUBJECTS FOR SPECIAL REPORTS,—The 4th Pashn,—Does it apply to Christ?—The horrible pit of sin,—Waiting for the Lord.—The joy of conversion,—God's numberless mercies towards us,—The four kinds of sacrifice.—The law of God in the heart.—Speaking of God's goodness.—Wishing failure for the wicked.

QUESTIC VS.

Introductory.—Who wrote this Psalm? At what period of his life? What other Psalm is the same as the last five verses of this? Which verses are quoted in the New Testament?

Subject: The Story of a Christian Lafe.

I. Conversion (vs. 1-3).—What is it to wait for the Lord? Why do we have to wait for him? Does the Lord always help those who go to him and wait? To what does the "horrible pit and miry clay" refer? In what respects is the impenitent sinner like one in such a pit? What did God do for him? What was the new song? What do you know of the hampings of the coming a do you know of the happiness of becoming a Christian? How did the experience of one help others to become servants of God?

H. An Experience of God's Loving II. AN EXPERIENCE OF GOD'S LOVING KINDNESS (vs. 4, 5).—Who are blessed? In what respects? Name some of God's wonderful works to us. What are "His thoughts to us-ward?" What is said of their number? Why does a Christian think more of God's mercies than of his own troubles?

III. Consecration to God (vs. 6-8) What four kinds of sacrifice are named here? What is meant by God's not desiring them? What does lie desire for us? What is the What does He desire for us? What is the meaning of verse 7? What is it to have God's law within the heart?

1V. LEADING OTHERS TO THE SAVIOUR (vs. 9, 10).—Of what did the psalmist speak to others? Why do those who have experienced God's salvation desire to speak to others about it? How does this speaking

V. FAITH STRENGTHENED BY TRIALS (vs. 11, 12).—What confidence had the psalmist in God? How many and great were his troubles? How had God shown his loving-kindness and truth in them?

VI. A PRAYER FOR HELP IN THE VARIED VI. A PHAYER FOR HELF IN THE VARIED EXPERIENCES OF LIFE (vs. 13-17).—Who below could help him? What did he wish for God's enemies? Was this right? What did he wish for God's people? How did he express his own humility? Will God help all who go to Him?

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. Sin is like a horrible pit, -dark, dreary, narrow, terrible, unclean, hard to escape

from.
2. Waiting for the Lord implies carnest persentation partient persentation.

2. Waiting for the Lord implies carnest seeking, using every means, patient perseverance, till we find Him.

3. The new song expresses new happiness, a new experience of God's love, new perception of the danger escaped, new vision of the blessedness of holiness and heaven, new joy in prayer and in the Word.

4. God's mercies are more in number, new various in kind than we can conscious

more various in kind, than we can conceive.

5. God's law in our hearts makes it natu-

ral to do right.

al to do right.

6. Those who have experienced God's salvation should speak of it to others.

7. Compare the experience in this Psalm with that of Christian in Bunyan's Filgrim's Progress.

REVIEW EXERCISE. (For the whole School in concert.)

11. What is the state of sin like? Ass. A horrible pit and miry clay. 12. What is the first step in the Christian life? Ass. To be converted and saved from sin. 13. What is the second step? Ans. A new song of praise and joy? 14. What is the third step? Ans. Renewed consecration to God. step? ANS. Renewed consecration to God. 15. What is the fourth step? ANS. Leading others to the Saviour. 16. What is the lifth step? ANS. Faith, praise, prayer, and help, in the varied experiences of life.

A MAN went home the other night and found his house locked up. After infinite trouble he managed to gain an entrance through a back window, and then he discovered on the parlour table a note from his wife, reading "I have gone out. You will find the key on the side of the step."

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