

HUMILITY.

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Thy home is with the humble, Lord,
The simple are thy rest;
Thy lodging is in childlike hearts,
Thou makest there thy nest.

Dear Comforter, eternal Love,
If thou wilt stay with me,
Of lowly thoughts and simple ways
I'll build a nest for thee.

Who made this beating heart of mine
But thou, my heavenly guest?
Let no one have it, then, but thee,
And let it be thy nest.

LESSON NOTES.

FOURTH QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE LIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS.

LESSON VIII. [Nov. 24.]

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE LESSON.

Isa. 5. 11-23. Memory verses, 11, 12.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine.—Isa. 5. 22.

QUESTIONS FOR YOU.

With what word does this lesson open? What does it mean? What is one of the great causes of woe? Strong drink. What are the people who follow strong drink? Slaves. Does God make them slaves? No; they do it themselves. When does this kind of slavery often begin? In childhood. How does it begin sometimes? In loving self more than God. Why do men often become slaves? Because they have not knowledge. Who knows all things? God. What does he say always follows strong drink? Woe. Does God's word ever fail? Never! When should we learn what God thinks of these things? Now; while we are young. Why should we never drink wine or strong drink? Because it causes woe.

DAILY STEPS.

- Mon.* Read the lesson verses slowly. Isa. 5. 11-17.
- Tues.* Learn the Golden Text.
- Wed.* Read about others who have woe. Isa. 5. 18-23.
- Thur.* Find out about man's kind of wine. Prov. 23. 29-32.
- Fri.* Learn about heavenly drink. John 4. 14.
- Sat.* See what God thinks of strong drink. Prov. 20. 1.
- Sun.* Learn a good Bible pledge. Jer. 35. 6.

LESSON IX. [Dec. 1.]

THE CALL OF MOSES.

Ex. 3. 1-12. Memory verses, 9-12.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Certainly I will be with thee.—Ex. 3. 12.

QUESTIONS FOR YOU.

Where was Moses living now? In Midian. What was he doing? Keeping the flock of Jethro. Who was Jethro? His father-in-law. To what mountain did he lead his flock one day? To Horeb. Who appeared to him there? The angel of the Lord. How did he appear? In a bush that burned, but was not consumed. Who called to Moses out of the bush? What did he tell him? That he had seen the troubles of his people. What did he say he would do? Deliver them. What did he call Moses to do? Lead the Israelites out of Egypt. Did Moses think he could do it? No; he was afraid. Who said he would be with him? Golden Text.

DAILY STEPS.

- Mon.* Read the lesson verses. Ex. 3. 1-12.
- Tues.* Find why Moses was in Midian. Ex. 2. 11-15.
- Wed.* See God's love for his people. Psa. 135. 4.
- Thur.* Learn why Moses was safe. Golden Text.
- Fri.* Read about the faith of Moses. Heb. 11. 24-27.
- Sat.* Find how God cares for us. Isa. 63. 9.
- Sun.* Read a song of deliverance. Psa. 107. 8-14.

BEST LESSONS.

"Oh, there's that Ruth Knolls and her brother again! Do you know, Miss Merton, she is just awfully dull in school, and we girls laugh at her so much. She hasn't a particle of brilliancy."

Viva chatted this speech out as she walked along the street beside Miss Merton.

"She has something far better than brilliancy," said Miss Merton.

"What?" said Viva, her cheeks flushing uncomfortably; for she felt that she had made a mistake, and she was very anxious to stand well in Miss Merton's opinion.

"She has a courteous manner. That is a grace that is very great, but far too rare. I know Ruth quite well, and her kindness and courtesy are unfailing in company or at home. She is going to grow into a lovely womanhood."

"I am sorry I spoke so," said Viva. "I really don't know anything about her except that she stumbles so dreadfully in her lessons."

"No doubt she is very sorry about it. It is a fine gift to be quick and bright in understanding things; but you know, my dear, that it is far more important to be kind-hearted and gentle. When you go out in the world no one will ever ask or know whether you got good grades in algebra and Latin. If you have done your best, it is wrought into you whether your best is very good or only mediocre.

But be sure of this: every one who meets you will know without putting you through an examination, whether you are a gentlewoman or not. It isn't practical to quote Greek or discuss psychology or read Shakespeare with every one you meet; but you can always speak kindly and listen courteously, and quietly look out for the opportunity to do the little deeds of kindness that make our lives so much more worth living."—*Union Signal*.

ALL SORTS OF DOLLS.

"When I was a little girl," said Auntie May at the breakfast table, "I had a china doll with a smooth head. Of course it was too fine to play with every day; for that I had a corn-cob dressed up."

"And you loved it, I suppose?" said Miss Alice.

"Indeed I did," answered Auntie May.

"Well, when I was a little girl," said Aunt Kate, "I used to have a crooked-neck squash for a doll."

"What fun!" cried both little girls together. "Mamma, won't you buy us some crooked-neck squashes when you go down town?"

"I had the best time you can think of with spools for dolls," said Miss Alice. "I have forgotten their names, except one. There was always an unmarried aunt in the family, and she was called Sister Roxy."

"I had a different kind of a doll from any you have named," said mamma. "I would take my knee and wrap something around it, and sing to put it to sleep. It was so nice, because it was real skin, and alive, you know. The play was so real that I'd forget the doll was fastened to me till I had to get up."

"I do that, too," said Dollikins. (Dollikins' dearest delight is to do things just as her mother did when she was a little girl.) "And Mamie and I have something for dolls that I guess you never played with. Mamie takes my foot and plays it is her little baby, and I wiggle it and make it cry; and then I take her foot, so we're just crossed so [crossing one little arm over the other], and we rock them together. The toes are hair, you know."

We all laughed at the funny picture of the two foot babies, and then it was time to go to work.—*S. S. Advocate*.

Let the little hands that are ready to take
The things that our Father so freely
has given
Be ever ready to do a kind deed,
Till love to each other makes earth
seem like heaven.

He who does wrong because of his surroundings shows that he is wrong apart from his surroundings.