

the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; and his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword; and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

School. "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

HYMN. 10. 11.

O worship the King all-glorious above,
And gratefully sing his wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
O tell of his might, and sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wealth the deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Supt. Will the scholars describe John's vision of the worship of heaven?

Second Scholar. "And they sung a new song, saying,"
School. "Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth."

Third Scholar. "And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne, and the beasts, and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; saying with a loud voice,
School. "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing."

Fourth Scholar. "And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying,"

School. "Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever."

HYMN. 7.

Lift your eyes of faith, and see
Saints and angels joined in one:
What a countless company
Stand before yon dazzling throne!
Each before his Saviour stands,
All in whitest robes arrayed;
Palms they carry in their hands,
Crowns of glory on their head.

Supt. The eleventh lesson describes the saints in heaven as seen in John's vision. What are some of their marked characteristics?

Fifth Scholar. In number they are declared to be "a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues."

Sixth Scholar. They are represented as standing "before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands."

Seventh Scholar. "And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb."

Supt. "And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?"

School. "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

Eighth Scholar. "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more: neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat."

Ninth Scholar. "For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of water."

Tenth Scholar. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

HYMN. (Tune, "We shall meet.")

We shall meet beyond the river,
By and by, by and by;
And the darkness shall be over,
By and by, by and by;
With the toilsome journey done,
And the glorious battle won,
We shall shine forth as the sun,
By and by, by and by.

IV. The Invitation to Fellowship with the Triumphant Redeemer.

Supt. The eighth lesson describes the conditions of this fellowship, and the twelfth contains a glorious invitation to enter upon its blessings both on earth and in heaven. The school will mention the implied condition.

School. The topic of this lesson, "Walking in the light," contains this condition, and we understand the requirement to mean, first, leading lives of holiness and purity; second, walking in the truth, that is, embracing the truth; third, enjoying the comforts of religion, having the joy which religion is fitted to impart.

Supt. What are the fruits of walking in the light?
School. First, fellowship with God in the light; second, fellowship with Christians in the light; third, cleansing from sin; and fourth, the power to keep the commandments of God.

HYMN. C. M.

Walk in the light! so shalt thou know
That fellowship of love
His Spirit only can bestow
Who reigns in light above.

Walk in the light! and thou shalt find
Thy heart made truly his,
Who dwells in cloudless light enshrined,
In whom no darkness is.

Supt. The last lesson of this quarter contains the "Great Invitation," and has the last verse of the Bible for a Golden Text. The school will repeat and interpret this invitation.

School. "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Supt. Who are called upon to repeat this glorious invitation?

School. First the invitation is made by the Holy Spirit, in the word, in the churches, in the prophets, in the conscience, in providence, and in his own still, small voice; second, it is made by the Church as a whole and as individual members; third, it is repeated by every one who is obeying the call in hastening on toward the holy city.

Supt. To whom is this invitation uttered?
School. First, to all men; second, to all that are athirst; and third, to whosoever will.

Supt. To what are all invited in these wonderful words?

School. To come to Jesus, to come to the salvation of Jesus, the water that satisfies every want and longing of the soul, and then to the home of Jesus, the paradise of God, to reign forever with the triumphant Saviour.

HYMN. (G. H. No. 10.)

Whosoever bleareth, shout, shout the sound!
Send the blessed tidings all the world around,
Spread the joyful news wherever man is found,
"Whosoever will may come."

CHORUS.

"Whosoever will, whosoever will,"
Send the proclamation o'er vale and hill;
'Tis a loving Father calls the wanderer home,
"Whosoever will, may come."

Supt. "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all."
All. "Amen."