

cake (describe Eastern bread) baked on the coals. There is a cruse or jar of water at his head. He eats and drinks and lies down again. Tell of the second visit of the angel, and the message to get up and eat, for a long journey was before him. (God is caring for him.)

Lesson—Tell of the journey to Mount Horeb (sketch). Describe the cave (outline) in the side of the mountain. Tell of the visit of the angel to Elijah there. Tell the conversation, vs. 9, 10. Elijah is quite down-hearted still.

The Visit of the Lord Himself—Then tell of the coming of the Lord Himself to Elijah. Describe the mighty storm that swept the mountain, then the earthquake and the fire, and after all these mighty happenings, Elijah heard a still small voice. (Perhaps to teach

Elijah that his harsh way of treating his enemies was not God's way. God's way was a quiet, gentle way. This should be our way, too.) Elijah went out of the cave, with his mantle covering his face, to hear what the Lord would say to him.

God sent him to get other helpers. Perhaps Elijah had been a bit proud. He thought everything depended upon him. God can make use of everybody, even little ones, to do the work He wants done. Do what God gives you to do and He will be satisfied. Be joyful in your work. Copy Jesus who never was discouraged. Tell all your wants and troubles to God.

Golden Text—Repeat Golden Text.

What the Lesson Teaches Me—I SHOULD TELL MY WANTS TO GOD.

FROM THE PLATFORM

“What doest thou here . . . ?”

Write on the blackboard the question of vs. 9 and 13, “*What doest thou here . . . ?*” and question somewhat as follows: Who asked this question? Of whom was it asked? Where was Elijah? Why had he gone thither? What had happened on the way? What was Elijah's reply to the question? By what signs did God make His presence known? What was the still small voice intended to teach Elijah? How was he affected by what he had seen and heard? What further work had God for Elijah to do? What mistake did Elijah make about God's work? Where is the right place for each of us to be? Press home the duty of our being in the place to which God has appointed us and doing the work which He has set us.

Lesson XII. **DEFEAT THROUGH DRUNKENNESS** September 19, 1915 —**TEMPERANCE LESSON**

1 Kings 20 : 10-21. Study 1 Kings 20 : 1-21. Commit to memory vs. 11, 12.

GOLDEN TEXT—Wine and new wine take away the understanding.—Hosea 4 : 11 (Rev. Ver.).

10 And Ben-ha'dad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the dust of Samar'ia shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that follow me.

11 And the king of Is'rael answered and said, Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his ¹ harness boast himself as he that putteth it off.

12 And it came to pass, when Ben-ha'dad heard this message, as he was drinking, he and the kings in the pavilions, that he said unto his servants, Set yourselves

in array. And they set themselves in array against the city.

13 And, behold, ² there came a prophet unto A'hab king of Is'rael, ³ saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this day; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

14 And A'hab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, ⁴ Even by the young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall ⁵ order the battle? And he answered, Thou.