

OPTIONAL HYMNS.

No. 1.

Fear not! God is thy shield.
O holy Saviour!
Pain's furnace heat within me quivers.

No. 2.

Go tell it to Jesus.
Out on the midnight.
Look up, lift up.
I am resting.
Leading.

The Lesson Catechism.

[For the entire school.]

1. What did the army of the Chaldeans? **It withdrew from the siege of Jerusalem.**
2. Where did Jeremiah start to go to look after his temporal interests? **Into the land of Benjamin.**
3. Who arrested him and punished him? **The captain of the ward and the princes.**
4. Who secretly visited him? **Zedekiah the king.**
5. What did Jeremiah tell the king? **That he should fall into the hands of the King of Babylon.**
6. What did Zedekiah do? **Relieved Jeremiah from his misery.**

CATECHISM QUESTION.

9. What have we then to do in repentance?

We must think on our transgressions, confess both our sins and our sinfulness to God, and strive to amend our life by the help of the Holy Spirit.

I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto Thy testimonies. Psalm cxix. 59.

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Lessons and Golden Texts for
1893.

ISRAEL AFTER THE CAPTIVITY.

First Quarter.

LESSON.

- I. JAN. 1.—RETURNING FROM THE CAPTIVITY. EZRA 1. 1-11. *Commit vs. 5, 6.* GOLDEN TEXT: The Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee. Deut. 30. 3.
- II. JAN. 8.—REBUILDING THE TEMPLE. EZRA 3. 1-13. *Commit vs. 10, 11.* GOLDEN TEXT: They praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. Ezra 3. 11.

LESSON.

- III. JAN. 15.—ENCOURAGING THE PEOPLE. Hag. 2. 1-9. *Commit vs. 8, 9.* GOLDEN TEXT: Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it. Psal. 127. 1.
- IV. JAN. 22.—JOSHUA THE HIGH-PRIEST. Zech. 3. 1-10. *Commit vs. 7, 8.* GOLDEN TEXT: We have a great high-priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God. Heb. 4. 14.
- V. JAN. 29.—THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD. Zech. 4. 1-10. *Commit vs. 5-7.* GOLDEN TEXT: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts. Zech. 4. 6.
- VI. FEB. 5.—DEDICATING THE TEMPLE. EZRA 6. 14-22. *Commit vs. 21, 22.* GOLDEN TEXT: I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Psal. 122. 1.
- VII. FEB. 12.—NEHEMIAH'S PRAYER. Neh. 1. 1-11. *Commit vs. 8, 9.* GOLDEN TEXT: Lord, be thou my helper. Psal. 30. 10.
- VIII. FEB. 19.—REBUILDING THE WALL. Neh. 4. 9-21. *Commit vs. 19-21.* GOLDEN TEXT: We made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them. Neh. 4. 9.
- IX. FEB. 26.—READING THE LAW. Neh. 8. 1-12. *Commit vs. 5, 6.* GOLDEN TEXT: Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law. Psal. 119. 18.
- X. MARCH 5.—KEEPING THE SABBATH. Neh. 13. 15-22. *Commit vs. 17, 18.* GOLDEN TEXT: Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Exod. 20. 8.
- XI. MARCH 12.—ESTHER BEFORE THE KING. Esth. 4. 10-17; 5. 1-3. *Commit vs. 5. 1-3.* GOLDEN TEXT: Judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy. Prov. 31. 9.
- XII. MARCH 19.—TIMELY ADMONITIONS. Prov. 23. 15-23. (*A Temperance Lesson.*) *Commit vs. 19-21.* GOLDEN TEXT: And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit. Eph. 5. 18. OR, THE VANITY OF GRAVEN IMAGES. ISA. 44. 9-20. (*A Missionary Lesson.*) *Commit vs. 9-11.* GOLDEN TEXT: I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God besides me. Isa. 45. 5.
- XIII. MARCH 26.—REVIEW. GOLDEN TEXT: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psal. 119. 105.

OLD TESTAMENT TEACHINGS.

Second Quarter.

- I. APRIL 2.—THE AFFLICTIONS OF JOB. Job. 2. 1-10. *Commit vs. 2, 3.* GOLDEN TEXT: The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. Job. 1. 21.