

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON 8.] THE EXCELLENCE OF CHRISTIAN LOVE. [AUG. 22.]

1 Cor. 13. 1-13.

GOLDEN TEXT.—And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.—1 Cor. 13. 13.

MEMORY VERSES, 4 7. (Read chap. 12.)—Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

Paul was a man whose heart was full of love. In one of the most beautiful chapters in the Bible he wrote to the Corinthians about love. He says a person may be very wise, and have great faith, and give all that he has to the poor, yet if he has not true love it will all count for nothing. True love is kind, does not feel envious, is never boastful, does not seek praise, is sweet-tempered, thinks no evil, and hopes all good. True love never wears out. All earthly things pass away, but love lives forever, for it is of God.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. What is to-day's lesson about?

About love.

2. What does the word "charity" mean here?

Love.

3. What is of more value than wisdom and faith?

True love.

4. Why does it never fail?

Because it is of God.