

the river Jordan to the land which he gave to the children of Israel. The Lord encouraged Joshua by declaring that none should be able to stand against him, and that he would be with him. The Lord also charged Joshua that he should daily meditate upon and observe the Law.

*Supt.* State the time, place, and persons of this lesson.

*Girls.* Before Christ, 1451, at the close of wandering of the Israelites in the wilderness. The place the plains of Moab, on the east of Jordan, opposite Jericho. The persons, Moses, Joshua, and the Israelites.

*Supt.* What is the doctrine of this lesson?

*Boys.* The Authority of God's Law.

*Supt.* Give some practical teachings.

*School.* Faithfulness in service brings favour from God; God's presence assures spiritual success; neglect of God's law brings spiritual defeat.

*Supt.* The subject of the second lesson is "Passing over Jordan."

*All.* Golden Text: "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee."

*Selected Class.* The lesson relates that Joshua commanded the people to sanctify themselves in preparation for beholding the wonders which the Lord was about to perform. The people then left their tents to pass over Jordan, the priests, bearing the ark of the covenant, going before the people. When the feet of the priests touched the water, it ceased to flow, but, forming a wall, the priests walked on dry ground to the centre of the river, and there remained until all of the people had passed over.

*Supt.* Mention the persons and the places of this lesson.

*Girls.* Joshua, priests, and people.

*Supt.* What is the doctrinal suggestion?

*Boys.* God's care for his people.

*Supt.* What may we learn from this lesson?

*School.* That the service of God requires personal consecration; that God is magnified in faithful service; that God gives the promise of his presence in duty; that where God leads us into service, he provides the way through it.

*Supt.* "The Plains of Jericho" is the third lesson.

*All.* Golden Text: "By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days."

*Selected Class.* This lesson states that the Israelites encamped in Gilgal and kept the pass-over, and ate of the old corn in the land; and on the morrow the manna ceased, and henceforth the people ate of the fruit of the land. Joshua was met by one who declared himself to be the Captain of the host of the Lord, who commanded him to remove his shoes, for he stood upon holy ground, and Joshua did so. The messenger from God then declared the fear of

the city because of the Israelites, and instructed Joshua to go around the city, with the men of war, once every day for six days, and on the seventh day seven times, and that upon a blast of the trumpets the walls of Jericho should fall, and that then every man should advance.

*Supt.* Give an outline of study for this lesson.

*Girls.* The Camp in Canaan; The Captain of the Lord's Host; The City of Jericho.

*Supt.* What is the doctrine taught?

*Boys.* The power of faith.

*Supt.* What does this lesson show?

*School.* That the gifts of God's providence are timely gifts; that the servants of God may expect divine guidance; that obedience to God's commands secures victory.

*Supt.* The fourth lesson describes the defeat of Israel at Ai.

*All.* Golden Text: "Be sure your sin will find you out."

*Selected Class.* God had said that the Israelites were not to keep any thing that they found in Jericho; but their was a man named Achan who disobeyed God, and took a rich robe, a wedge of gold, and some silver. These he hid under his tent. God knew of this sin. The next time the Israelites went to battle God gave the victory to the enemy. Joshua felt very bad about his defeat, but the Lord told him why it was, and how to find out and punish the offender. Achan, of the tribe of Judah, was found to be the man, and he confessed his sin. Joshua and the people then took Achan, all that he had stolen, and his sons and daughters, and his oxen, asses, and sheep, and all that he had to the valley of Achor, and there stoned them to death, and burned them.

*Supt.* Give the outline of the lesson.

*Girls.* The failure at Ai; The Sin of Achan; The Valley of Achor.

*Supt.* State the doctrines suggested.

*Boys.* The general judgment and sin of covetousness.

*Supt.* What are some practical lessons?

*School.* The danger of indulging covetous desires; the sure discovery of secret sins; that secret sin robs the Church of its power.

#### SINGING BY THE SCHOOL. L.M.

Be thou my strength, be thou my way;  
Protect me through my life's short day;  
In all my acts may wisdom guide,  
And keep me, Saviour, near thy side.

In fierce temptation's darkest hour,  
Save me from sin and Satan's power;  
Tear every idol from thy throne,  
And reign, my Saviour, reign alone.

*Supt.* The fifth lesson is "Reading of the Law."

*All.* Golden Text: "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing."

*Selected Class.* While the Israelites were still in the desert, God had said to them that when