

HOME STUDY LEAFLET.

LESSON 8.

NOVEMBER 25th, 1894.

4th QUARTER.

Opposition to Christ. MARK 3: 22-35.

(Commit to memory verses 23-26.)

GOLDEN TEXT.

"He came unto his own, and his own received him not." John 1: 11.

PROVE THAT

God cares for his people. . Ps. 103: 13.

SHORTER CATECHISM.

Quest. 103. *What do we pray for in the third petition?* A. In the third petition (which is, *Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven*), we pray, That God, by his grace would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to his will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.

LESSON HYMNS.

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DAILY PORTIONS.

(The Selections of the L. B. R. A.)

MONDAY—Opposition to Christ.

Mark 3: 22-35.

TUESDAY—The Occasion.

Matt. 12: 22-30.

WEDNESDAY—Christ the Enemy of Satan.

1 John 3: 1-8.

THURSDAY—Satan Cast Out.

Rev. 12: 7-11.

FRIDAY—Resistance to Satan.

1 Ph. 6: 10-20.

SATURDAY—The Son of Apostasy.

Heb. 10: 21-31.

SABBATH—The Son Rejected.

Matt. 21: 33-42.

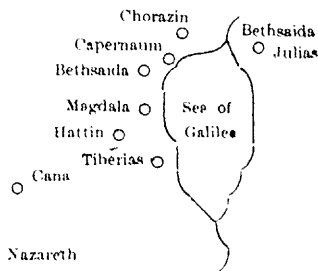
HELPS IN STUDYING.

INTRODUCTORY. The multitude thronged around Jesus so that he and his disciples could scarcely find leisure to eat bread. So little did his friends and relatives understand the meaning of this that they began to fear that the excitement had affected his reason, and proposed to place him under restraint. Taking advantage of this the Pharisees declared him to be in league with Satan himself. This charge was the culmination of their calumnies, and, reflecting as it did upon the character of that power which he wielded as the Son of Man, demanded severe rebuke. Our Saviour's unanswerable reply and solemn warning form the subject of our lesson to-day. Parallel passages, Matt. 12: 22-30; Luke 11: 14-23; 8: 10-21.

LESSON PLAN. I. Christ's Enemies. vs. 22-30. II. Christ's Brethren. vs. 31-35.

I. CHRIST'S ENEMIES. 22. **Beelzebub**—Matthew (11: 22-24) tells us that he had just cured a man, who was possessed with a devil, and was blind and dumb. The people were beginning to ask one another, "Is not this the Messiah?" Then the enemies of Jesus tried to make the people think that these evil spirits only pretended to be afraid and that they were really in league with him to make the people believe that he was the Messiah, when he was one of themselves. *Beelzebub* was the god of Ekron (2 Kings 1: 2). The name meant "the god of flies." The Jews, by changing one letter, *Beelzebub*, made it mean "the god of filth," and applied it to Satan. This last name is the one Luke wrote and the Scribes used. They never denied the fact that demons were there, and that Jesus really cast them out. Matt. 9: 34; 10: 25; Luke 11: 15; John 7: 20; 8: 48, 52. 23. **He called them unto him**—He saw them going about among the people whispering their slanders, and "knew their

thoughts;" so he called them up to the front and shewed everybody what foolish, self-contradictory, cowardly and wicked charges they



were making. In parables—illustrative stories. See the three here in verses 24, 25 and 27, and another in Matt. 12: 43-45. **How can Satan cast out Satan?**—Nobbody pulls