

- F. Led by the Spirit. Rom. 8. 12-17.
 S. Hating sin. 1 John 3. 1-6.
 S. Loving one another. 1 John 3. 7-14.

LESSON HYMNS.

No. 140, New Canadian Hymnal.

Now I have found the ground wherein.

No. 138, New Canadian Hymnal.

My hope is built on nothing less.

No. 141, New Canadian Hymnal.

My Shepherd will supply my need.

DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 269, 129, 127.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. Abraham's Seed, v. 31-39.

What recent facts had made the division wider between those who upheld and those who disputed the claims of Jesus?

What did Jesus say was the condition of true discipleship? (Verse 31.)

What two results of genuine discipleship did he mention?

On what ground did the Jews resent the statement that they would be made free?

Is it true that the Hebrew nation had never been in bondage?

How could these men thus ignore historic truth?

Why did they mention their descent from Abraham as a proof of their freedom?

Who did Jesus say was the servant of sin?

Where cannot a servant abide?

What does this mean?

Who can bestow genuine freedom? [seed?

Did Jesus deny that the Jews were Abraham's

Why, then, did he utter the closing words of the thirty-ninth verse? [40.]

What crime did these men contemplate? (Verse

Who was Jesus's Father?

Who in verse 38 did Jesus intimate was the father of these Jews?

2. Satan's Seed, v. 40-47.

Why did the Jews seek to kill Jesus?

Who gave Jesus the message which he was now seeking to deliver?

What was the character of Abraham?

What family likeness did these Jews show? (See verses 44 and 41.)

Whose fatherhood did they claim in verse 41?

What did Jesus say would inevitably follow if God were their Father? (Verses 42, 47.)

Why did not these people understand Jesus?

Can we understand him if our hearts are closed against the advances of his love?

Of what two great sins does Jesus declare the devil to be the author?

Is there a personal devil?

If not, what is the meaning of "He was a murderer from the beginning," and "he is the father of lies?"

Why would not the Jews hear Jesus?

Practical Teachings.

Find in this passage lessons concerning—

1. The duty of continuing in Christ's word.
2. That the grace of Christ is sufficient for us.
3. That sinners in their sin merely carry out the designs of Satan.

Hints for Home Study.

Find other passages in the Bible which unmistakably teach the personality of the devil.

What class were most active in opposition to Jesus at this stage of his life.

QUESTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARS.

1. Abraham's Seed, v. 31-39.

Whom did Jesus say were his real disciples?

What promise of freedom did he give them?

What boast did they make in reply?

Whom did Jesus say was a slave?

What difference is there between a slave and a son?

Through whom could they have real freedom?

Why did the Jews seek to kill Jesus?

What did he say about his teaching and their doing?

Whose children did they again claim to be?

What did Jesus say about that claim?

Who were the real children of Abraham? (GOLD-EN TEXT.)

2. Satan's Seed, v. 40-47.

What were the Jews seeking to do which was unlike Abraham?

Whose example were they following?

What did they say about their father?

What answer did Jesus make to this?

What did he say about their dullness?

Whose children did he declare them to be?

Of what two crimes was their father guilty?

Why would not the Jews believe Jesus?

With what questions did he challenge them?

How did he prove that they were not God's children?

Teachings of the Lesson.

Where in this lesson are we taught—

1. That every sinner is Satan's slave?
2. That Jesus can free us from Satan's power?
3. That God's children are the only true free-men?

Home Work for Young Bereans.

Find how many times "Abraham's seed" were in bondage to foreign oppressors.

Find what foreign nation was now their ruler.

Find what body had sent officers to arrest Jesus.