

S. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.  
L. 14. For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

S. 15. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. James ii. 13.

**TOPIC**—"Lord, teach us to Pray."

**Golden Text**—But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. Matt. vi. 6.

**LESSON SCHEME.**

**BIBLE SEARCHINGS:**  
1 Sam. i. 26. Isa. lxviii. 16. Dan. vi. 10, 23.  
Matt. xxiii. 14. Ps. cxlv. 18. Matt. viii. 8-11.  
Jonah ii. 1, 2. Luke xviii. 11. Rom. viii. 15.  
1 John iii. 1.

**OUTLINE:**

- I. PRAYING, TO BE SEEN OF MEN, v. 5;
- II. PRAYING, TO BE HEARD OF GOD, v. 6;
- III. SIMPLICITY IN PRAYER, v. 7, 8;
- IV. OUR ADORABLE FATHER, v. 9;
- V. THE COMING KINGDOM, v. 10;
- VI. OUR DAILY NEED, v. 11;
- VII. FORGIVE US, v. 12, 14, 15;
- VIII. LEAD AND DELIVER US, v. 13;
- IX. EVERLASTING RAISE AND GLORY, v. 13.

Recite *Title, Topic, Golden Text, Selected Verses, and Outline.*

1. What classes of Jews did Jesus call hypocrites? [Luke xi. 44.]  
What was their motive? v. 5.  
If they were seen of men, did they not have what they sought?  
What is prayer?
2. Why are we told to seek retirement in prayer?  
Does this injunction forbid public and social prayer?
3. Are we to be heard for our "much speaking"? [Compare 1 Kings xviii. 26; 36-38; Luke xviii. 10-13.]  
What encouragement for our imperfect petitions is given in v. 8?
4. How do the first words of the Lord's prayer adapt it to the whole human family? [Mal. ii. 10.]  
What is it to "hallow" any thing?
5. What is the "kingdom" whose coming is here prayed for? [Rom. xiv. 17; 1 Cor. iv. 20.]

Where should we seek the coming of that kingdom first? [Luke xvii. 21.]

6. What daily provision did the Lord make for the Israelites in their journey? [Exod. xvi. 14, 15, 21.]
7. To whom are we debtors?  
What encouragement to a forgiving spirit does Jesus give? v. 14, 15.
8. Give an example of the kind of temptation intended here. [Gen. xxii. 1.]  
Who leads us into temptation to sin?
9. Where, in the Old Testament, is a prayer with a like ascription? [1 Chron. xxix. 11.]

Where are we taught in this lesson—

1. That the needy and the sinful have encouragement to seek help from God?
2. That God hears the prayer of the heart, not that of the lips?
3. That we should desire earnestly the advance of God's Kingdom?
4. That hatred in our hearts robs us of God's forgiving grace?

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.**

5. *What can God do?*

God can do whatever he will.  
Job xlii. 2. I know that thou canst do everything, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.  
Matthew xix. 26. Jesus said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

6. *Does God know all things?*

God knows all things, even every thought in man's heart,—every word, and every action.

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SABBATH, August 24.—**LESSON VIII.—The Two Foundations.**—Matt. vii. 21-29.

*Leader.* 21. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven;  
*School.* But he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Hosea vii. 2; Acts xix. 13.

L. 22. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name done many wonderful works? [1 Cor. xiii. 2.]

S. 23. And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. Ps. v. 5.

L. 24. Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock [Luke vi. 47]:

S. 25. And the rain descended, and the floods

came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

L. 26. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

S. 27. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

L. 28. And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: S. 29. For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. John vii. 46.

**TOPIC**—JESUS CHRIST, the only Foundation.

**Golden Text**—Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner-stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.—1 Peter ii. 6.

**Home Readings.**  
M. Matt. vi. 6-15.  
Tu. 1 Kings xviii. 21-30.  
W. Luke xviii. 1-14.  
Th. Ps. cvii. 1-19.  
F. Eph. vi. 1-18.  
S. Ps. cvii. 21-43.  
S. Acts iv. 23-33.

**Home Readings.**  
M. Matt. vii. 21-29.  
Tu. 1 Cor. xiii.  
W. Matt. xxv. 1-13.  
Th. Rom. viii. 31-39.  
F. Luke xlii. 23-35.  
S. Matt. xxv. 31-46.  
S. 2 Sam. xxii. 1-19.