

and told him to eat still more food, for he had a long journey before him. And the Lord gave him strength from that food to travel for forty days and forty nights until he came to Mount Horeb.

There he went into a cave and lay down to rest, but the voice of the Lord called to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" And Elijah answered, "The children of Israel have broken Thy laws, thrown down Thy altars and slain Thy prophets. I am the only one left, and they are seeking to kill me also, so I ran away."

Then the Lord passed by the cave where Elijah was. First, there came a great strong wind, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind came an earthquake and a fire, but the Lord was not in either. Then came a still small voice. When Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak, for he knew that it was God's voice. Then God called to Elijah to come out of the cave, and He asked him again, "What doest thou here, Elijah?" And Elijah gave the same answer as he had given before.

Then the Lord told Elijah that there were still seven thousand persons who had not worshiped Baal. And God commanded Elijah to leave his hiding-place, for He had work for him to do. He was to anoint Hazael a new king over Syria, and Jehu king over Israel in Ahab's place. Also, he was to anoint a man named Elisha to be a prophet in his stead. So Elijah did as the Lord commanded him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What did Elijah tell Ahab? 2. What did Ahab then do? 3. What did Elijah do? 4. What happened next? 5. What message did Jezebel send to Elijah? 6. What did Elijah do on hearing Jezebel's message? 7. What did Elijah pray in the wilderness? 8. Who came to him? 9. How did God provide for Elijah? 10. To what mountain did he go? 11. What did the Lord ask Elijah? 12. What answer did Elijah make? 13. What strange things happened as Elijah was in the cave? 14. What did Elijah know when he heard the still small voice? 15. What did God ask again? 16. What did Elijah answer? 17.

What good news did God tell Elijah? 18. What did God tell him he was to do? 19. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

As a little child relies
On a care beyond his own,
Knows he's neither strong nor wise,
Fears to stir a step alone;
Let me thus with Thee abide,
As my Father, Guard, and Guide. Amen.
—Hymn 292, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—15. Who wrote the Bible? Good men, who were taught by the Holy Spirit. 16. What besides the Bible teaches us about God? All God's works teach us about Him.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 86, 87.

The Question on Missions

8. How is it that so many leaders in every occupation come from the country? This is due largely to the quiet home life of the country, and to the fact that, on the farm, boys and girls are kept usefully busy. Thus they form habits of industry and self-reliance, and are saved from the perils of idleness.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

Color the drawing of Elijah sitting under the tree in the wilderness, and remember



that, when we are weary and discouraged, God will help us as He helped Elijah.

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD BE HOPEFUL