

last he died and was buried in the city of Samaria which he had built, and Ahab, his son, was made king in his stead.

Up to this time, six kings had ruled over the ten tribes of Israel, and every one of them had been wicked. But we are told that Ahab was even more wicked than any of those before him. He took for his wife the daughter of a heathen king. Her name was Jezebel, and she worshiped a false god, named Baal. Ahab built for Baal a beautiful temple in the city of Samaria; and he also chose wicked men, whom he called priests of Baal, to wait upon the idol and offer up sacrifices to it. Thus he made the people of Israel, God's own chosen people, worship this god of the heathen nations.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What soldier made himself king of Israel? 2. What did the Israelites do when they heard this? 3. To what city did Zimri go? 4. Who came and besieged the city? 5. What did Zimri do then? 6. What city did Omri build when he was made king? 7. What kind of king was Omri? 8. How long did he reign? 9. Who reigned after him? 10. What is said of Ahab? 11. Whom did he marry? 12. What did Jezebel worship? 13. What did Ahab build for Baal? 14. What wicked thing did he make Israel do? 15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"If I were a farmer", said Bertie, "I wouldn't let any old thistles grow in my fields."

"But what about the field you do own", asked mother seriously. "I thought I saw a thistle sprouting up in it the other day." "The field I do own!" Bertie exclaimed. "Yes", said mother, "each boy's heart is a field given him by God. If he sows good seeds in it, that is, good deeds and good habits, when he is young, the result is a fine, good man. But, if he sows those nasty thistles called bad habits, they often grow, by the time he reaches manhood, to evil deeds which choke out all the good that was in his heart at the beginning." "Well, I'll try to pull out every thistle that ever starts in my garden", said Bertie firmly.

Lesson Hymn

Lord, while for all mankind we pray,
Of every clime and coast,
O hear us for our native land,
The land we love the most.

Unite us in the sacred love
Of knowledge, truth and Thee;
And let our hills and valleys shout
The songs of liberty. Amen.

—Hymn 503, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—9. *What can God do?* God can do all that He wishes to do.

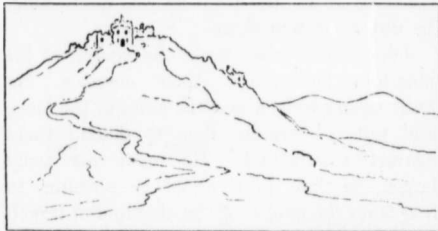
SHORTER CATECHISM—85. *What doth God require of us, that we may escape his wrath and curse due to us for sin?* A. To escape the wrath and curse of God due to us for sin, God requireth of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicateth to us the benefits of redemption.

The Question on Missions

4. What work is done among the foreigners in the West? Five hospitals are maintained by the Women's Home Missionary Society, clothing is distributed, young men trained for teachers and mission work, missionaries supported, and aid given to the ministers of the Independent Greek Church. Everything is done to win these foreign immigrants and make them Christian and Canadian.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

Color the drawing of a city built on a hill, and remember that God is preparing for us



in heaven a far more beautiful city than any on earth.

I Have Learned To-day

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