

THE STORY OF DANIEL.

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From childhood's home, far, far away,
They took the Hebrew lad;
But he had learned to trust and pray,
When homesick, lone, and sad;
God made him brave to do the right;
He would not drink nor eat
The dainties put within his sight—
The king's rich wine and meat.

The king was troubled with strange dreams,
Which God to Daniel told;
And he was clothed—it wondrous seems—
In scarlet and fine gold;
And he was lifted high, and made
A ruler in the land;
Still to his God he humbly prayed,
And blessed his guiding hand.

But envious hearts were turned to hate:
"Command, O king," said they,
For thirty days, both small and great,
To thee alone shall pray."
But Daniel knelt before the Lord,
Three times a day, in prayer,
And all his heart to God outpoured,
And found a blessing there.

Into the den of lions, then,
Was faithful Daniel cast,
God sent his angel to the den,
And when the night was passed
The king found Daniel saved from harm
By God's protecting love.
Oh, let us trust the gracious arm
Of him who reigns above.

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

LESSON IV. [July 23.]

THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL.

Dan. 5. 17-31. Memory verses, 24-28.

GOLDEN TEXT.

God is the judge.—Psalm 75. 7.



THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL.



DANIEL IN THE LIONS' DEN.

DO YOU KNOW?

Who was the new king of Babylon? Why do you think he was not a wise and sensible king? How many lords did he invite to his feast? A thousand. What went on while the company were eating and drinking? The enemy was getting into the city. What appeared on the wall to Belshazzar? A hand, writing. Who was called to read the writing? Why did they send for him? Verses 11, 12. Did Daniel read the writing to get the reward? Verse 17. What did Daniel say about Nebuchadnezzar? Who had weighed Belshazzar in his balances? God. Who had his kingdom? What reward was given Daniel?

DAILY HELPS.

- Mon. Read about the new king of Babylon. Dan. 5. 1-4.
- Tues. Find what happened during the feast. Dan. 5. 5-16.
- Wed. Read the lesson verses. Dan. 5. 17-31.
- Thur. Learn to what pride leads. Prov. 16. 18.
- Fri. Learn from the Golden Text who rules of men.
- Sat. Find why Daniel dared to be so bold. Prov. 28. 1.
- Sun. Find the secret of Daniel's courage. Dan. 6. 10, 11.

LESSON V. [July 30.]

DANIEL IN THE DEN OF LIONS.

Dan. 6. 10-23. Memory verses, 21-23.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The Lord is thy keeper.—Psalm 121. 5.

DO YOU KNOW?

Who was now king of Babylon? To whom did he give a high place in the kingdom? Who became jealous of Daniel? What did they persuade the king to make? A law against praying, except to the king, for thirty days. What did they do this for? To get Daniel into trouble. Did Daniel keep on praying to God? Yes, and

did not try to hide it. Why could not the king change this wicked law? Because it was a law of the Medes and Persians. Where was Daniel thrown? Was the king happy about it? How did he try to comfort Daniel? Where did he go early in the morning? What did he find? What became of Daniel's enemies.

DAILY HELPS.

- Mon. Read what jealousy did? Dan. 6. 1-9.
- Tues. Read of a good man's trust in God. Dan. 6. 10-23.
- Wed. Read why Daniel prayed with his face toward Jerusalem. 1 Kings 8. 44-50.
- Thur. Find what faith can do. Heb. 11. 32-40.
- Fri. Read a song of praise. Psalm 66. 8-12.
- Sat. Find how wise Daniel was to be true to his God. Mark 8. 34-38.
- Sun. Tell some one all you have learned about Daniel.

ADRIAN'S CAP.

Adrian is three years old, and a few days ago his father bought him his first cap.

"Now," said his aunt, "if Adrian is big enough to have a cap, he is big enough to know what to do with it."

So she took him on her lap and explained very carefully what gentlemen do with their hats, and how they take them off when they say "How do you do?" or "Good-bye" to a lady, and she told him that he must never wear his cap in the house.

Then Adrian went out on the porch to practice it. When Miss Nina passed, he took off his cap and said, "How do?"

When mother came up the street, he took off his cap, and she kissed him and called him her precious little man.

Then he took off his cap and bowed to all the ladies that came along. When he went in to eat his dinner, he took off his cap the minute he stepped inside the door.

He has had his cap for two weeks now, and he has not once forgotten about taking it off in the house and whenever he speaks to a lady or an old gentleman.



THE THREE HEBREWS IN THE FIERY FURNACE