No. 2

Awake, my soul, in joyful lays. Hearthou my prayer. Shine on our souls. Art thou weary, art thou languid? Come, Jesus, Redeemer.

The Lesson Catechism.

[For the entire school.]

1. What sad news was brought to Nehemiah, the Jewish cupbearer of the Persian king? That his relatives in Jerusalem were in great affliction.

2. What did he do? He wept, fasted, and prayed.

3. What did he confess? The sins of his people.

4. What did he plead? The promise of God.

5. What is the GOLDEN TEXT? "Lord, be thou my helper."

CATECHISM QUESTION.

9. Have believers an internal evidence that Christ came from God?

They have, according to their faith, the witness and the fruit of the Holy Spirit in their hearts,

John xiv. 20. In that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in Me, and I in you.

About B. C. 445.] LESSON VIII. REBUILDING THE WALL. [Feb. 19. GOLDEN TEXT. We made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them. Neh. 4, 9.

Authorized Version.

Neh. 4. 9-21. [Commit to memory verses 19-21.]
9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them.

10 And Ju'dah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and there is much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall.

11 And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst among them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease.

12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times, From all places whence ye shall return unto us they will be upon you.

13 Therefore set 1 in the lower places behind the wall, and on the higher places, I even set the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows.

14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, which is great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.

15 And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, everyone unto his work.

16 And it came to pass from that time forth, that the half of my servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields. and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers were behind all the house of Ju'dah,

17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

18 For the builders, everyone had his sword girded by his side, and so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me.

Revised Version.

9 But we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, be-

10 cause of them. And Ju'dah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and there is much rubbish; so that we are not able to

11 build the wall. And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come into the midst of them, and slay them, and

12 cause the work to cease. And it came to pass that, when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times from all places, Ye

13 must return unto us. Therefore set I in the lowest parts of the space behind the wall, in the open places, I even set the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and

14 their bows. And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, which is great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your sons and your

15 daughters, your wives and your houses. And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of

16 us to the wall, everyone unto his work. And it came to pass from that time forth, that half of my servants wrought in the work, and half of them held the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the coats of mail; and the rulers

17 were behind all the house of Ju'dah. They that builded the wall and they that bare burdens laded themselves, everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other

18 held his weapon; and the builders, everyone had his sword girded by his side, and so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by

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