

## Growing.

How do the pinks and roses grow?  
Is it whisky, do you know,  
Sprinkled over them each day,  
Makes them bloom so fresh and gay?  
No, no; let me tell you, no;  
Water makes the flowers grow;  
Raindrops patter, dewdrops scatter;  
So the fresh and cooling water  
Wets the leaves and roots, and lo!  
This is how the flowers grow.

How do grapes and apples grow?  
Do they all nice juices owe  
To champagne and beer and ale,  
Showering down on hill and vale?  
No, no; let me tell you, no;  
Water makes the sweet fruits grow;  
Raindrops patter, dewdrops scatter;  
So the fresh and cooling water  
Wets the vines and trees, and lo!  
This is how the sweet fruits grow.

How do little birdies grow,  
Flying, singing, chirping so?  
Are they fed with wine and rum  
In their dainty nestling home?  
No, no; let me tell you, no;  
Water makes the birdies grow;  
Raindrops patter, dewdrops scatter,  
So the fresh and cooling water  
Wets their tiny beaks, and lo!  
This is how the birdies grow.

How do little children grow?  
Not by drinking rum, I know;  
Brandy, cider, wine and beer  
Never makes them strong and fair.  
No, no; let me tell you, no;  
Water makes the children grow;  
Raindrops patter, dewdrops scatter;  
Fountains fill and flow with water;  
See, they bathe and drink, and lo!  
This is how the children grow.

## LESSON NOTES.

## THIRD QUARTER

## STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

B.C. 1491] LESSON III. [JULY 15]

## GOD'S PRESENCE PROMISED.

Exod. 33. 12-23. Memory verses, 12-24.

## GOLDEN TEXT.

Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28. 20.

## OUTLINE.

1. God's Presence.
2. God's Glory.

TIME AND PLACE.—Same as in the last lesson.

EXPLANATIONS.—*Thou hast not let me know*—God had promised, chap. 32. 34, to send an angel with them, and Moses here is pleading that God will reveal who it is to be. *Show me thy glory*—Moses here asks that he may actually see God's face. *A cleft of the rock*—A recess or rift in the rock. Do not think that these expressions, *hand, back parts, and face*, are to be understood literally. They are figurative ways of expressing the glorious manifestation God was to give to Moses.

## TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

Where, in this lesson, are we taught—  
1. That we may secure God's favour?  
2. That we may enjoy God's presence?  
3. That we may see God's glory?

## THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. What was the command which God had just given to Moses? "Bring up this people." 2. Before obeying, what anxious question did Moses ask? "Whom wilt thou send with me?" 3. What gracious answer did God give him? "My presence shall go with thee." 4. What prayer did Moses then make? "I beseech thee, show me thy glory." 5. What was God's answer? "I will make all my goodness pass before thee." 6. What is God's promise to-day, through Christ, to all his children? "Lo, I am with you," etc.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The glory of God.

## CATECHISM QUESTION.

3. When did God create man?  
After the creation of the earth, God made man to be the chief of his creatures upon it. Isaiah xiv. 11, 12. Thus saith the Lord. . . I have made the earth, and created man upon it.  
Zechariah xii. 1. The Lord, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.

B.C. 1491] LESSON IV. [JULY 22]

## FREE GIFTS FOR THE TABERNACLE.

Exod. 35. 20-29. Memory verses, 21, 22

## GOLDEN TEXT.

God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9. 7.

## OUTLINE.

1. Willing hearts.
2. Ready hands.
3. Rich gifts.

## TIME AND PLACE.—As before.

EXPLANATIONS.—*The congregation of the children of Israel*—Or, more simply, "all the people." *The Lord's offering*—That is, an offering for the Lord. *Tabernacle of the congregation*—The tent which was to be made as a place for worship. *Bracelets, . . . earrings, etc.*—Personal ornaments which were very much esteemed among the Egyptians. *Wool-haired*—That is, instructed in domestic arts, and skilful in them. *The rulers*—Probably the heads of families in the tribes, or the seventy elders of whom we read in chapter 24.

## TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

Where, in this lesson, are we taught—  
1. That a willing heart is the best offering to the Lord?  
2. That willing hearts make ready hands in God's service?  
3. That all true offerings to God are rich gifts?

## THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. What were the children of Israel asked to bring gifts for? To make a tabernacle for God. 2. Who brought the gifts for which Moses asked? Every one who was willing. 3. What did each person bring? The best gift he had. 4. How does God regard those who thus give? "God loveth a cheerful giver." 5. How ought we nowadays to give? "According to the Lord hath prospered us."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Christian giving.

## CATECHISM QUESTION.

4. How was man the chief creature on earth? Because the Creator made man in his own image.  
Genesis i. 27. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him.

## A MISER'S DEATH.

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Money can never give life. "He that hath the Son hath life." Death separates us from our money, but unites us more closely to our real life! How is it with you? Aren't you a little miser-able?

SATAN selects his disciples when they are idle, but Christ chose his while they were busy at work, either mending their nets or casting them into the sea.

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