

the things God asks us to do? As the children suggest, fill in the three other picture frames in such a way as will be most impressive to your class. The pictures used in the cut are only suggestive. Make home happy. Trust God. Cup of cold water.

7. Who has been listening to God's voice this last week? How does he speak to children?

1. In the Bible.

2. In prayer.

Note.—It is probable that God spoke to Elijah while he was in communion with him, and not by any miraculous appearance. The

teacher who knows God's voice best, will be best able to teach this lesson.

8. Who will listen to God's voice this week, and when he calls us as he did Elijah, do as we are bidden?

9. Here teach the Golden Text.

10. God cared for Elijah. He sent the raven to feed him, and the barrel of meal wasted not, and the cruse of oil did not fail. The Golden Text for the Quarter teaches us that so he will care for us. No good thing will he withhold from them who walk uprightly.

LESSON III.—July 17th, 1898.

ELIJAH ON CARMEL. 1 Kings 18: 30-40.

I. GOLDEN TEXT: "And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces, and they said, The Lord, He is the God, the Lord, He is the God." 1 Kings 18:39.

II. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR THE QUARTER. God's good gifts.

III. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY'S LESSON: The holy spirit of love.

IV. REVIEW:

1. What was Elijah?

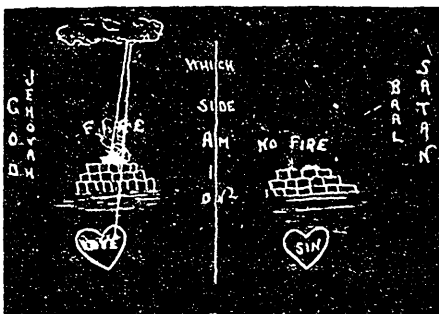
2. To what three places did God send him?

3. How was he fed at Cherith?

4. How was he fed at Zarephath?

V. SYNOPSIS: For three years God had taken care of Elijah. The famine was great in the land. The gods of the people had been appealed to in vain. The people were wondering what was the cause of all the suffering. Just at this time, the voice of God again comes to Elijah, and he is bidden once more to stand before Ahab. It would seem a dangerous thing for the prophet, for the king thought Elijah was the troubler of Israel, and so charged him when they met. God and Elijah, "workers together," were desirous to have the people turn to the worship of Jehovah. With this end in view the king was asked to assemble the people together at Mount Carmel. Ahab agreed to do so, and sent word to all parts of the land. Doubtless, the days intervening were spent by Elijah in communion with God, in preparation for the great event. On the eventful day, the prophets of Baal, and many of the secret worshippers of Jehovah gathered on the platform of Carmel. The pro-

phets of Baal were given the first opportunity, but could not call fire down from heaven. Elijah mocked them, and then having built the altar of God, and covered it and the sacri-



fice with water, (so as to prove beyond a doubt that the test was a real one,) the prophet with mighty faith then called upon Jehovah, who answered by sending the fire from heaven. Then the people cried, "The Lord, He is God, etc.," and Elijah said, "Take the prophets of Baal, let not one of them escape." And they took them, and brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them.

VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS:

1. Begin the lesson with the following story.

Come children and listen I'll tell you in rhyme

A story of something that happened one time;

There was war in the land and brave hearts bent high,

And many went forth for their country to die,

But who can tell of the fear and dismay

That spread through the village of Wilson one day