

26-28. Judah; another brother. The caravan suggests to him a plan of combining revenge and profit. What profit... conceal his blood; hide the real cause of his death. Let us sell him. It would bring money and would not seem so cruel. For he is our brother. A fine lot of brothers they were! His brethren were content; accept the brotherly suggestion. Passed by Midianites. Midian was another son of Abraham. They formed part of the larger caravan. Sold... for twenty pieces of silver; shekels. Brought Joseph into Egypt; where he was sold to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh.

Reuben returns to the pit and finds Joseph gone. The coat dipped in blood is brought to Jacob and his heart breaks. Vs. 29-35.

25 What did they see as they sat down to eat? Where did they come from? Where were they going? What were they carrying? Who was Ishmael? (Gen. 16: 15.)

26-28 What new plan did Judah propose? What did Jacob say of this son? (Gen. 49: 8-10.) What advantage did he state for his plan? What does "conceal his blood" mean? What other people were in the caravan? Who were the Midianites? (Gen. 25: 1, 2.) For what was Joseph sold? Who was sold for thirty pieces? (Matt. 26: 15.) To whom was Joseph sold in Egypt?

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Is it a reproach to be called a dreamer?
2. Should we always tell of the wrong we see?

A PRAYER

We thank thee, our Father, that thou dost offer us strength for daily living. Thou knowest the petty vexations that disturb us, thou understandest how irksome the customary round becomes, and thou canst keep us sweet in the midst of these things. Let thy love take possession of us. Save us from bitterness, from envy, from the attempt to deceive. And keep us true to thee under all circumstances. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Prove from Scripture—That hatred is murder.

Shorter Catechism—Ques. 36. What are the benefits which, in this life, do accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification? A. The benefits which, in this life, do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

The Question on Missions—9. What sports or games have the Indian young people? Older boys and girls play ball, and a game much like lacrosse, using two small sand bags tied together instead of a ball. Mission school graduates become very proficient in baseball and football. They are also fond of foot races, jumping and the like.

THE GEOGRAPHY LESSON



We read that the sons of Jacob in their journeyings, with their flocks, came to Dothan from Shechem. Find Mount Ebal on the map and then you will see Shechem near by. The name means "shoulder," the place being on the side of a hill. The region round about is one of great fertility and beauty. It is the Paradise of Palestine.

This town played an important part in Israel's history. Near it is the Sychar mentioned in the New Testament in John, ch. 4, where Jesus conversed with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well.

LESSON QUESTIONS

18-22 Where were Joseph's brethren when he came? Who had sent him? What did they determine to do when they saw him? What did they call him? Why was he so called? Where did they propose to cast his body? How were they to explain his death? What brother interfered?

23, 24 What did they strip from off Joseph? Who had given this?

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. Give three reasons why Joseph was hated by his brethren.....

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2. What was Reuben's plan for saving Joseph?.....

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3. How was it foiled?.....

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