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You remember the visit of the wise men from the East, and of Herod's anxiety to find out where the infant Jesus was to be found. But the wise men, being warned of God in a dream, returned to their own land by a different way, so that they did not see Herod again. Not hearing from the wise men where the Christ-child was, Herod slew all the young children of Bethlehem, "and in all the coasts thereof." But Joseph and Mary, having been warned in a dream, were on their way to Egypt with the child. In the above picture we see the Holy Family journeying in the land of Egypt, while the angel of the Lord keeps a loving watch over them.

Little Ina, nearly five years of age, set out to visit school one day, gay as a lark, but returned after the session with rather a careworn expression on her countenance. When asked how she liked school, she said: "I did not like it." "Why not?" "O, I had to work awful hard." "What did you have to do?" "I had to keep still like everything."

LESSON NOTES.

FOURTH QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE LIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS.

LESSON XIII. [Dec. 29.]

REVIEW.

GOLDEN TEXT.

If God be for us, who can be against us?—Rom. 8. 31.

Titles and Golden Texts should be thoroughly studied.

1. J. S. into E. The patriarchs—
2. J. in P. But the Lord was—
3. J. E. Them that honour—
4. J. and his B. Be not overcome—
5. D. of J. So teach us to—
6. I. O. in E. God heard their—
7. The C. of M. Train up a child—
8. W's T. L. Wee unto them—
9. The C. of M. Certainly I will—
10. M. and P. The angel of—
11. The P. Christ our Passover
12. The P. of the R.S. I will sing unto—

FIRST QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE BOOK OF THE ACTS.

LESSON I. [Jan. 5.]

THE PROMISE OF POWER.

Acts 1. 1-11. Memorize verses 6-8.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you.—Acts 1. 8.

THE LESSON STORY.

Our lessons for the last six months have been about the beginning of things and of people in the world. We learned about the world when it was new, and then about Noah, and Moses, and Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and their children; and after finding how Moses led the Lord's people out of Egypt, we leave them for a while to learn about the beginnings of the new Church on the earth, which we call the Christian Church.

The Jewish Church had almost lost sight of God when Jesus came into the world to live and teach, and to lay down his life for love of us, that he might make all things new.

Before he went back to heaven he made a great promise to his disciples. He said that they should "receive power." He meant that he would come as the Holy Spirit and live within them, and be their strength and comfort, and although they could not see him with their eyes as they had done before, they would know in their own spirits that he had come back to live within them. So after the Lord went away they all gathered in an upper room and with prayer and praise waited for the promise.

QUESTIONS FOR THE YOUNGEST.

Where was Jesus about to go? To heaven.

When did he rise from the grave? Forty days before.

Why did he take the disciples to walk? To talk with them.

What did he tell them? What to do when they were alone.

What did he want them to remember? The Bible words about him.

Who wrote these words? Moses and the prophets.

What did he promise to do? Help them to understand.

What did he say they should be? Witnesses for him.

What were they to preach? That Jesus died and rose again.

Where were they to preach? In all the world.

Whom do we call witnesses? Those who tell about Jesus—ministers, missionaries, and all Christians.

For what did they wait in Jerusalem? The coming of the Holy Spirit.

Pride is founded on error and self-ignorance.