

"UNTO ME."

SOME dear little children
To Jesus were led;
He took them up kindly,
And sweetly he said,—

"O, suffer the children
To come unto me,
For the kingdom of heaven
Of children shall be.

I, I am their Friend;
Their sins I'll forgive,
And they shall at length
With me ever live."

And thus the dear Saviour
To each one will say,
If but from the heart for
His blessings they pray:

"I'll make your heart clean, and
Will help you to come
Into my bright kingdom,
Forever your home."

TWO PENNIES.

It was a bright spring evening when little Polly stole softly into her father's room, with shoeless feet, and her golden hair falling lightly over her white night-gown; for it was bed-time, and she had come to say "Good night."

"Father," said the little one, raising her blue eyes to his kind face, "father, may I say my prayers beside you, for mother is too ill for me to go to her to-night?"

"Yes, pet," he answered, tenderly stroking the curly head.

And reverently the child knelt down beside him, and repeated her evening prayer, adding at the close with special earnestness, "God bless my two pennies."

What can the child mean? thought her father in surprise, and when the little white-robed figure was gone, he went and asked her mother if she knew what their little daughter meant.

"O, yes!" said the lady. "Polly has prayed that prayer every night since she put her two pennies into the plate at the last missionary meeting."

Dear children, have you ever prayed to God for a blessing on the pennies you have put into the missionary box? If not, be sure you never forget to do so in the future.

SUFFER not your thoughts to dwell on an injury, or provoking words spoken to you. Learn the art of neglecting them at the time. Let them grow less and less every moment, until they die out of your mind.

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

B.C. —] LESSON X. [Sept. 7.

CONFIDENCE IN GOD.

Psa. 27. 1-14

(Commit to memory verses 4, 5.)

GOLDEN TEXT.

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear? Psa. 27. 1.

OUTLINE.

1. Resting in the Lord, v. 1-3.
2. Waiting upon the Lord, v. 4-7.
3. Walking with the Lord, v. 8-14.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Who is our light and salvation? The Lord.

What can he take away from our lives? All fear and dismay.

From what will he protect us? From our enemies.

What did David desire of the Lord? To dwell in his house.

What will we see in the house of the Lord? The beauty of the Lord.

Who will hide us in time of trouble? The Lord.

What does the Lord say unto us? "Seek ye my face."

Does God ever hide his face from us? No, our own sins hide it from us.

What should we say in our hearts? "Thy face, Lord, will I seek."

Does God ever forsake us? Never; he is always near us.

For what should we pray? To be led in a plain path.

What should we be willing to do? To walk in the path that God chooses for us.

What cheers us in the midst of trouble? God's goodness and mercy.

Who will strengthen our hearts? The Lord.

On whom may we wait and trust? On the Lord.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Remember—

God's love and goodness to us.

God's patience with us in our sin and folly.

God's gentleness in caring for us.

Do we not need his helping hand?

Should we not trust his love and mercy?

Can we do without his strength and light?

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The providence of God.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Who was Herod the king? The king of Judea, who killed the young children in Bethlehem, hoping to kill the Christ.

Who was John the Baptist? The prophet who told the Jews that the Christ was come.

B.C. —] LESSON XI. [Sept. 14.

WAITING FOR THE LORD.

Psa. 40. 1-17.

Commit to memory verses 1-4.

GOLDEN TEXT.

I delight to do thy will, O my God.
Psa. 40. 8.

OUTLINE.

1. Saved, v. 1-4.
2. Serving, v. 5-10.
3. Pleading, v. 11-17.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Who always hears and answers when we cry unto him? The Lord.

How will our praise of God influence others? To love and trust him.

Who only are blessed in this world? Those who trust in God.

What is better in God's sight than sacrifices? Obedience to his will.

If we truly love God what can we say? [Repeat GOLDEN TEXT.]

What had David done? He had preached God to a great many people.

What had he declared unto them? God's loving-kindness and truth.

What may we always tell others? Of God's goodness to us.

What does David ask of God? "Withhold not thy tender mercies from me."

What can we all say with David? "Mine iniquities are more than the hairs of mine head."

Who is able to deliver us from our sins? The Lord.

When will he deliver us? When we are willing to give up our way for his way.

What is given us when we trust in the Lord? Joy and Gladness.

Have we anything to commend us in God's sight? No, we are "poor and needy."

Who loves us, and helps us and takes care of us? The Lord God Almighty.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Have you given your heart and life to God?

Do you trust him always, even when you cannot understand him?

Do you obey God in everything?

Is he as real to you in trouble as when everything looks bright?

God "is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—God's answer to prayer.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Who was Herod the tetrarch? The ruler of Galilee, who cut off John the Baptist's head.

Who were the disciples of Jesus Christ? All who learned of him as their master.