

## INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS.

THIRD YEAR—1875—JULY.

## THIRD QUARTER: TWELVE LESSONS IN JOHN.

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 1875.

LESSON I.—THE WORD MADE FLESH. John  
1. 1-14.

## Berean Notes.

**Lender.** 1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**School.** 2. The same was in the beginning with God.

**L.** 3. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made.

**S.** 4. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.

**L.** 5. And the light shineth in the darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

**S.** 6. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

**L.** 7. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.

**S.** 8. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

**L.** 9. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

**S.** 10. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

**L.** 11. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

**S.** 12. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

**L.** 13. Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

**S.** And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

## HOME READINGS.

M. John 1. 1-14. Th. Isa. 53.  
T. Prov. 8. 22-31. F. Eph. 1. 3-14.  
W. John 5. 17-36. S. Heb. 1.  
Sabbath. Psa. 23.

**TOPIC:** Commencement of the Christian Doctrine.

**GOLDEN TEXT:** God was manifest in the flesh. 1. Tim. 3-16.

**OUTLINE**—1. *The Word in the beginning*, v. 1-4; Gen. 1. 1; Col. 1. 17.

2. *The Word in the Darkness*, v. 5; John 3. 19.

3. *The Word and His Witness*, v. 6-8; Mal. 3. 1; Acts 19. 4.

4. *The Word and His Work*, v. 9-14; Acts 3. 26.

## HINTS AND SAYINGS ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN.

Schaff.—“The Gospel of Gospels,” “The most important literary work ever composed by man.” “A marvel even in the marvellous Book of books.”

Origen.—“The main Gospel.”

Chrysostom.—“It is a voice of thunder reverberating through the whole earth.”

Jerome.—“John excels in these depths of divine mysteries.”

Calvin.—“The key that opens the way to a right understanding of the other three gospels.”

Earnest.—“The heart of Jesus.”

Herder.—“Written by the hand of an angel.”

Lange.—“The diamond among the gospels.”

“In the beginning was the Unbegun—  
Articulate Eternity, Almighty Word,  
Melodious Utterance of the Three in One,  
That, in the solitudes of Godhead heard,  
Makes these society.”—Coles.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT.

*The Commencement of Christian Doctrine*, as indicated in the Topic, takes us back to that “beginning, long before the beginning of this world, and brings us down to the wonderful