

GOLDEN TEXT

Gen. 1: 1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

DAILY READINGS

M. — Gen. 1: 1-13.
 T. — Gen. 1: 14-25.
 W. — Gen. 1: 26 to 2: 3.
 Th. — Psalm 8.
 F. — Isaiah 40: 21-31.
 S. — Job 38: 1-14.
 S. — Psalm 104: 1-12, 19-24.

CATECHISM

Q. 84. What doth every sin deserve?

FOR FURTHER STUDY

Juniors—1-5 What is a Bible? Into what two parts is the Bible divided? Name the first five books of the Bible. What is the meaning of "Genesis"? What is the subject of the first chapter? Who created all things? How? (Ps. 33: 6.) Into how many parts did God divide His work? What was the work of the first day?

6-8 What was done the second day? What is meant by the "firmament"?

9-13 What was accomplished the third day?

14-19 What record given of the fourth day's work?

20-23 What was brought forth on the fifth day? What blessing given?

24, 25 What was the earth to bring forth? What did God think of all that He had made?

26-31 What was the crowning work of creation? In whose image created? What power given to man? What two classes mentioned?

1-3 What are we here told of God? Why did He rest? What example for His people? Which commandment rests on God's example here? Repeat the commandment. How is the Sabbath to be sanctified? (Shorter Catechism Ques. 69.)

Seniors and the Home Department—1 Which is the first book of the Bible? What the subject of chapter one? Who was the author of Creation? (Psa. 33: 6; Heb. 11: 3.) Through whom was it wrought? (John 1: 1-3.) Why was the creation? (Rev. 4: 11.) Who rejoiced at it? (Job 38: 1-7.) What does it display? (Psa. 19: 1; Rom. 1: 20.) From what has it suffered? (Rom. 8: 22.)

24-31 Who were created on the sixth day? Who was the first man? The first woman? Made in whose image? (Col. 3: 10; Eph. 1: 21.) With what special power? What was God's blessing on His creation? What did He say of each part? What of the sum

A. Every sin deserveth God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

TIME AND PLACE

Time: the beginning of all things. Place: this earth which God made.

LESSON PLAN

I. The Creation of the World, 1-25.

By the almighty wisdom and power of God.

II. The Creation of Man, 26-31.

In the Divine image and likeness.

III. The Day of Rest, ch. 2: 1-3.

When the work of creation was finished.

LESSON HYMNS

Book of Praise, 72 (1st Sel.); 1; 22; 512; 509; 518.

total? (v. 31.)

1-3 Who instituted the sabbath? Why instituted? For whom made? (Mark 2: 27.) Of what a type? (Heb. 4: 10.) What commands given in reference to it? (Ex. 20: 8-11; Lev. 19: 3, 30.)

Prove from Scripture—That God made all things very good.

Practical Points—1. The Bible begins and ends with a new-made world (See Rev. 21: 1, 5.) It is by reason of man's sin that the re-making is required.

2. God set the sun and moon and stars "to give light" and they gave light. Are we like them in performing the task He has allotted to us and so showing forth His glory? (Matt. 5: 16.)

3. God had His work for each day and accomplished it. Only those who have done the day's duty have an honest right to the night's rest. "Something attempted, something done, has earned a night's repose."

4. As in nature everything brings forth "after his kind," so in our lives every deed and word and thought will bring forth results for good or ill, "after its kind."

5. To what honor man was created—in God's image, and to rule over God's creatures. To what rank may not even fallen man yet rise, through the grace and mercy of God—to be like God and with God in His eternal glory!

6. Like a sunset of wonderful peace and beauty after a long day's labor comes the statement that, God's task of creation ended, He rested and sanctified the day of rest. So sweetly follows the Sabbath, with its holy and restful hours, on our week's toil.

7. The two great essential foundations of man's progress and true prosperity were ordained at the very beginning—the *family* and the *Sabbath*. These two institutions, kept sacred and wisely used, are the remedy for most of our social and moral evils.—Peloubet.

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. Describe the earth as first created.

2. How was it made ready for man?

3. Wherein did man differ, in his creation, from the rest of God's creatures?