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NOTE.—The Scripture verses to be committed to memory are indicated by an index [§§] at the side.

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LESSON I.—JOSHUA, SUCCESSOR TO MOSES.

July 1.

Joshua 1. 1-9.



1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, *a* saying, *a* Deut. 1. 38.

2 Moses *b* my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Israel.

b Deut. 34. 5.
3 Every *c* place where the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.

c Deut. 11. 24.
4 From *d* the wilderness and this Lebanon, *even* unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

d Gen. 15, 18; Num. 34. 3.
5 There *e* shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as *f* I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will *g* not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

e Deut. 7. 24.—*f* Exod. 3. 12.—*g* Deut. 31. 6.
§§6 Be strong and of a good courage; for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land which I swore unto their fathers to give them.

§§7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law *h* which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it *to* the right hand or *to* the left, that thou mayest *b* prosper whithersoever thou goest.

h Num. 27. 23; chap. 11. 15.—*b* Or, do wisely.
8 This *i* book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but *j* thou shalt meditate therein

day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for *k* then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt *c* have good success.

i Deut. 17, 18, 19.—*j* Psa. 1. 2.—*k* 1 Chron. 22. 13; Prov. 3. 1.—*c* Or, do wisely.

9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be *l* not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whithersoever thou goest.

l Psa. 27. 1; Jer. 1. 8.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The host of Israel is encamped, a million strong, at the foot of the Moabite mountains. Above them towers the height from which their great leader has but recently taken his view of Canaan and his flight to glory. Before them rolls the turbid Jordan, swollen to a torrent by the spring-tide rains, a seemingly impassable barrier to the Land of Promise. Beyond they see the walls of Jericho, and the heights and passes of the mountains; southward the glittering Dead Sea, and the waste desert beyond; northward the snowy crown of Hermon. A still, small voice comes to Joshua from out the curtained depths of the most holy place. He is bidden assume the mantle of leadership left by the great lawgiver, and to lead the host onward to the conquest of their promised inheritance. The God of Israel promises to stand by his side, to direct his energies, to guide him and his people into the full realization of the covenant long ago given to their fathers. Again and again the newly-chosen leader is exhorted to courage and to strength in the power of God. The roll of the law, held in his bosom, is to be shrined in his memory, is to dwell in his heart,