

the corn, and the wine, richly fruitful for the blessing of others. *Suggestive Questions*: What is the figure of speech in verse 2? Who was Asshur? What does Christ say about the growth of lilies? What is the beauty of the olive? What previous statement in Hosea does Ephraim refer to in verse 8?

LESSON 2.—JULY 9, 1899.

### Daniel in Babylon.

(Lesson Text: Dan. 1:8-21. Commit to Memory Verses 17-20.)  
(Read the whole chapter.)

**GOLDEN TEXT.**—"Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself."—Dan. 1:8.

**DAILY READINGS.**—Monday: Dan. 1:1-7. Tuesday: Dan. 1:8-21. Wednesday: Gen. 39:1-6. Thursday: Psalm 1. Friday: Prov. 16:1-9. Saturday: 1 Cor. 9:19-27. Sunday: Jer. 35:12-19.

*Suggestive Points*: Daniel gained authority over others by learning to control himself.—Daniel did not model his life in Babylon by the modern saying, "When in Rome do as the Romans do."—God delights in the man who recognizes the claim of the spirit as superior to that of the body. *Suggestive Questions*: What was the source of Daniel's popularity? What saying of Solomon's would apply to the thriving of the Hebrews on simple diet? What feeling would you expect the Chaldeans to show toward Daniel and his companions after their promotion?

LESSON 3.—JULY 16, 1899.

### The Hebrews in the Fiery Furnace.

(Lesson Text: Dan. 3:1-28. Commit to Memory Verses 16-18.)  
(Read the chapter.)

**GOLDEN TEXT.**—"Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us."—Dan. 3:17.

**DAILY READINGS.**—Monday: Dan. 3:1-7. Tuesday: Dan. 3:8-18. Wednesday: Dan. 3:19-30. Thursday: Isa. 43:1-7. Friday: Isa. 41:8-16. Saturday: 1 Pet. 4:12-19. Sunday: Acts 12:1-11.

*Suggestive Points*: If God cares for us then we can afford to be "not careful" about many things which worry others.—There are furnaces still for the faithful: ridicule, persecution, poverty; but One like unto the Son of God walks with them.—Some men are never freed from bonds for service until they have been in the furnace. *Suggestive Questions*: What kind of idols are men tempted to compromise for now-a-days? Could not the three Hebrews have satisfied the king by bowing without worshipping? Why did they not? Who was the man like unto a son of the gods?

LESSON 4.—JULY 23, 1899.

### The Handwriting on the Wall.

(Lesson Text: Dan. 5:17-31. Commit to Memory Verses 24-28.)  
(Read chapters 4 and 5.)

**GOLDEN TEXT.**—"God is the Judge."—Ps. 75:7.

**DAILY READINGS.**—Monday: Dan. 5:1-9. Tuesday: Dan. 5:10-16. Wednesday: Dan. 5:17-31. Thursday: Jer. 52:12-19. Friday: Jer. 51:47-58. Saturday: Acts 12:18-23. Sunday: Luke 12:13-21.

*Suggestive Points*: Material prosperity often makes men fools.—To forget God is to court destruction.—The fall of Babylon is the handwriting on the walls of time that warns of God's judgment for national indifference to His law. *Suggestive Questions*: What example had Belshazzar which should have taught him the folly of his course? What was the heart of Belshazzar's sin? Are there any banquets like his to-day? What statement of Belshazzar's confirms the belief that he was only second ruler in Babylon?

LESSON 5.—JULY 30, 1899.

### Daniel in the Den of Lions.

(Lesson Text: Dan. 6:10-23. Commit to Memory Verses 21-23.)  
(Read the chapter.)

**GOLDEN TEXT.**—"The Lord is thy keeper."—Ps. 121:5.

**DAILY READINGS.**—Monday: Dan. 6:1-9. Tuesday: Dan. 6:10-17. Wednesday: Dan. 6:18-28. Thursday: Psalm 56. Friday: Acts 5:25-32. Saturday: 2 Tim. 4:1-8, 16-18. Sunday: Rev. 2:1-10.

*Suggestive Points*: The faithful man must expect to be hated by the unfaithful.—Only a man of prayer can be a Daniel.—It pays to stand with God in Babylon where there are furnaces and lions' dens. *Suggestive Questions*: What excuse might Daniel have had for praying less than he did? What is the lion that Christians have to face to-day? Who do you think was the angel that shut the lions' mouths? How long after this did Daniel live? See Dan. 10:1.



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