

THE LITTLE WORKERS.

Little builders all are we,  
Builders for eternity;  
Children of the Mission Bands,  
Working with our hearts and hands  
Building temples for our King.  
By the offerings we bring  
Living temples he doth raise,  
Filled with life and light and praise.

One by one the stones we lay,  
Building slowly every day;  
Building by our love, are we,  
In the lands beyond the sea.  
Building by each thought and prayer  
For the souls that suffer there;  
Building in the Hindu land,  
Where the idols are as sand.

Building in vast China, too,  
Living temples rise to view;  
Building in Japan as well.  
Oh, what stories we could tell!  
Building on dark Africa's shore,  
That there may be slaves no more;  
Building in the Turk's doomed land  
For Armenia's scattered band.

On Mount Lebanon's fair heights  
By our many-gathered mites,  
Where the Nile's sweet waters pour;  
Building all the wide world o'er;  
And one day our eyes shall see,  
In a glad eternity,  
"Living stones," we helped to bring  
For the palace of our King.

LESSON NOTES.

FOURTH QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, FROM  
ELIJAH TO ISAIAH.

LESSON IV.—OCTOBER 23.

ELISHA AND NAAMAN.

2 Kings 5. 1-14. Memorize verses 10-14.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved.—  
Jer. 17. 14.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

Who was Naaman? A Syrian general. What great name had he? He was "honorable" and "a mighty man of valor." What great misfortune had he? Can leprosy be cured? No, except by a miracle. Who lived in Naaman's house? Whom did she serve? What did she say about Naaman's leprosy? What did the king of Syria say to Naaman? What did Naaman do? How did the king of Israel receive him? To whom did he afterward go? Did Elisha come out to meet Naaman? What message did he

send him? What did Naaman think? Was he a humble man? What did his servants urge him to do? Did he do it? What was the result?

DAILY STEPS.

Mon. Read the lesson verses. 2 Kings 5. 1-14.

Tues. Learn a song of praise that all may sing. Psa. 103. 2, 3.

Wed. Learn a prayer we all may offer. Golden Text.

Thur. Find how God describes sin. Isa. 1. 5, 6.

Fri. Learn the only cleansing power. 1 John 7, 9.

Sat. Tell the story of Naaman to some one.

Sun. Learn the beautiful snow-prayer. Psa. 51. 7.

THREE LITTLE LESSONS.

We have learned that—

1. Leprosy of the body is like the sin of the heart.
2. God alone can cure it.
3. We may have it if we trust and obey.

LESSON V.—OCTOBER 30.

ELISHA AT DOTHAN.

2 Kings 6. 8-23. Memorize verses 15-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.—Psa. 34. 7.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

What was the Syrian king always doing? Could he meet the king of Israel? What did he think? What did his people tell him? What did he then tell them to do? Where did he find that Elisha was? What did he send there? What did Elisha's servant see in the morning? Was he afraid? What did Elisha say? What did the servant soon see? What made them look like fire? What was brought upon the Syrians? Where did Elisha lead them? Were they still blind? What did the king of Israel wish to do? What did the prophet counsel him to do? What did the Syrians have? Where did they go? Did they trouble Israel after this?

DAILY STEPS.

Mon. Find how Naaman showed that he was half-hearted. 2 Kings 5. 15-18.

Tues. Read the lesson verses carefully. 2 Kings 6. 8-23.

Wed. Learn something good to know when tempted. Psa. 27. 14.

Thur. Learn the comforting Golden Text.

Fri. Learn why we need not be afraid in the dark. Psa. 139. 12.

Sat. Read a beautiful psalm of trust. Psa. 27.

Sun. Read a hymn of trust.

THREE LITTLE LESSONS.

We have learned that—

1. Legions of angels protect God's children.
2. If our inner eyes were opened we could see them.
3. We may always trust when we cannot see.

A NAUGHTY BOOK.

BY MARY WHITING ADAMS.

Christine was so busy writing with her new pencil in a big book that she did not hear Aunt Alice come into the room.

"What are you writing, Chris?" said auntie, looking at the big white pages, with queer uneven scribbles all over them, for the little fingers had been hard at work.

"I'm yiting how bad Tommy is," said Christine, very solemnly. "He dropped my dolly, and she tan't shut her eyes any more. Don't you fink Tommy is a naughty boy, Aunt Alice?"

"Perhaps he is sometimes," said auntie. "But I think Tommy is very good to his little sister, too. Didn't I see him giving you a ride on his sled yesterday? Did you write that down?"

Christine shook her head.

"And wasn't it Tommy that brought you a big red apple?" said Aunt Alice. "Have you put that down in your book?"

"There's only room for naughty fings in my book," said Christine, looking very wise.

"Don't you think it's a naughty book, then? I think you had better get a new one. Or suppose you turn over the next page, and you'll find plenty of room to write how good Tommy is to you every day."

So Christine turned over the page.

"I dess I fordot 'bout ridin' on Tommy's sled," she said. "But I 'member now." And she found so many good things to write about Tommy that she has not found the room to write about another naughty one yet on the new page.

A little girl remarked: "When I make the bad thoughts go away, the hole fills up with more." One day when reproved for behaving badly she said: "It makes me feel bad inside unless I let the bad out."

A little one of four years, being teased because she had a pug nose, climbed up on a chair, and looked in the glass, saying, "I saw a lady at church whose nose was a great deal puggier than mine!"

Obedience always tends to strengthen faith.

Every scholar should be a student.