

Lesson XIV.

REVIEW

December 31, 1905

Read the Lessons for the Quarter. Commit to memory the Golden Texts for the Quarter.

GOLDEN TEXT—Psalm 65: 11. Thou crownest the year with thy goodness.

DAILY READINGS

(By courtesy of I. B. R. Association)

- M.—The character of the Messiah, Isa. 9: 1-7.
 T.—Daniel and Belshazzar, Dan. 5: 17-30.
 W.—Daniel in the lions' den, Dan. 6: 10-23.
 Th.—Returning from captivity, Ezra 1: 1-11.
 F.—Power through God's spirit, Zech. 4: 1-10.
 S.—Nehemiah's prayer, Neh. 1: 1-11.
 S.—Reading and obeying the law, Neh. 8: 8-18.

Prove from Scripture—That God is good.

Catechism—Review Questions 103-107.

The Question on Missions—Review Questions 37-49.

Lesson Hymns—Book of Praise, 438 (Supplemental Lesson); 197; 313; 76 (Ps. Sel.); 17 (from PRIMARY QUARTERLY); 474.

REVIEW CHART—Fourth Quarter

FROM ISAIAH TO MALACHI	LESSON TITLE	GOLDEN TEXT	LESSON PLAN
I.—Dan. 5: 17-30.	Daniel and Belshazzar.	The face of the Lord is against them.—Ps. 34: 16.	1. Warnings. 2. Doom.
II.—Dan. 6: 10-23.	Daniel in the Lions' Den.	The angel of the Lord encampeth round about.—Ps. 34: 7.	1. Accused. 2. Sentenced. 3. Delivered.
III.—Ezra 1: 1-11.	Returning from Captivity.	The Lord hath done great things.—Ps. 126: 3.	1. A divine purpose. 2. A royal command. 3. A willing response. 4. A just restitution.
IV.—Ezra 3: 10 to 4: 5.	Rebuilding the Temple.	The temple of God is holy.—1 Cor. 3: 17.	1. The work commenced. 2. The work hindered. 3. The promise.
V.—Zech. 4: 1-10.	Power Through God's Spirit.	Not by might, nor by power.—Zech. 4: 6.	1. The vision. 2. The explanation. 3. The promise.
VI.—Ezra 8: 10 to 10: 5.	Ezra's Journey to Jerusalem.	The Lord preserveth.—Ps. 145: 20.	1. The queen's resolve. 2. The queen's responsibility.
VII.—Ezra 8: 21-32.	Ezra's Journey to Jerusalem.	The hand of our God is upon all them.—Ezra 8: 22.	1. Seeking protection. 2. Providing offerings. 3. Making the journey.
VIII.—Neh. 1: 1-11.	Nehemiah's Prayer.	The effectual fervent prayer.—James 5: 16.	1. God's people in distress. 2. The prayer of God's servant.
IX.—1 Cor. 10: 23-33.	Abstinence for the Sake of Others. (World's Temperance Sunday)	Let him that thinketh he standeth.—1 Cor. 10: 12.	1. A great principle. 2. A practical problem. 3. A noble practice.
X.—Neh. 4: 7-20.	Nehemiah Rebuilds the Walls of Jerusalem.	Watch and pray.—Matt. 26: 41.	1. The foes. 2. The leader. 3. The workers.
XI.—Neh. 8: 8-18.	Reading and Obeying the Law.	Blessed are they that hear.—Luke 11: 28.	1. Repenting. 2. Rejoicing. 3. Feasting.
XII.—Mal. 3: 1-12.	Preparation for the Messiah.	I will send my messenger.—Mal. 3: 1.	1. The Lord's coming. 2. The Lord's rebuke. 3. The Lord's promise.
XIII.—Isa. 9: 1-7.	The Character of the Messiah.	Thou shalt call his name Jesus.—Matt. 1: 21.	1. A vision of joy. 2. A vision of peace. 3. A vision of Christ.

The Goodness of God

The very last day of another year! From its beginning to its end we have been under God's loving care, and He has been showering down upon us countless blessings. The Golden Text for the Quarter will surely go singing through our hearts to-day as we look back on the year just closing. Each of this Quarter's Lessons, too, shows in its own way THE GOODNESS OF GOD.

Take Lessons I. and II., which we may link with the name of DANIEL. Here we see God showing His goodness, first by setting on the throne of Babylon King Cyrus, who was to set His people free, and then by protecting His servant in the den of lions.

Lessons III., IV. and V. are connected with the name of ZERUBBABEL, the Jewish prince who led God's people back to their own land from Babylon. Protection during the journey, the commencement of the temple building, the encouraging words of Zechariah—how God's goodness shines out in them all!

In Lesson VI. the chief figure is ESTHER. Her bold intercession, through the goodness of God to her and her people, was crowned with complete success.

Next, Lessons VII., X. and XI. have to do with NEHEMIAH. With the good hand of God upon him, he journeyed from Shushan to Jerusalem, rebuilt the walls of the holy city, and established the authority of God's law.

Lesson IX., from the writings of PAUL, shows how we may imitate the goodness of God in our dealings with others.

Lessons XII. and XIII. point to the future. They speak of the coming MESSIAH. He is God's best and greatest gift to us. No better proof of His goodness could God show us than He has shown in sending His Son to save us.