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INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS.

FIRST QUARTER.

Jan. 3. LESSON I. THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST.

GOLDEN TEXT. He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from About B. C. 713. the river unto the ends of the earth. Psa. 72, 8.

Authorized Version.

[Commit to memory verses 2-4.] Isa. 11. 1-10.

1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jes'se, and a Branch shall grow out of his

2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lond: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the

hearing of his ears : 4 But with righteousness shall he judge the oor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the wenned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jes'se, which shall stand for an ensign to the people; to it shall the Gen'tiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

Revised Version.

And there shall come forth a shoot out of the stock of Jes'se, and a branch out of his roots 2 shall bear fruit: and the spirit of the Lord shall

rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

3 and his delight shall be in the fear of the Lorn; and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his

4 ears: but with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meck of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the tod of his mouth, and with the breath of his

5 lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faith-

6 fulness the girdle of his reins. And the wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little 7 child shall lead them. And the cow and the

bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the 8 ox. And the sucking child shall play on the

hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put 9 his hand on the basilisk's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the root of Jes'se, which standeth for an ensign of the peoples, unto him shall the nations seek; and his resting place shall be glorious.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The royalty of Christ.

HOME READINGS.

M. The kingdom of Christ. Isa. 11, 1-10.

Ta. King of glory. Psa. 24.

W. Righteous King. Jer. 23, 1-8.

Th. King of peace. Zech. 9. 9-17.

F. A mighty kingdom. Psa. 45. 1-7.

S. Universal kingdom. Dan. 7. 9-14. S. "Not of this world." John 18, 33-40.

LESSON HYMNS.

No. 7, New Canadian Hymnal.

Crown him with many crowns.

No. 8, New Canadian Hymnal.

Jesus! the name high over all.

No. 5, New Canadian Hymnal.

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 38, 11, 2.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. The King, v. 1-5.

Give what facts you can concerning the writer of this lesson.