

## Lesson VI

A tree may be known by what it does not bear as well as by what it does bear.

He is not "much of anybody" who is not much to somebody.

A man must be much before he can do much.

## Lesson VII

The answer to Christ's perfect prayer for us can be prevented only by ourselves.

The infinite diversity of creation is the result of various combinations of a few simple units.

Among all mankind there is more unity of experience than there is of expression.

A single-minded man is worth twice as much as a "double-minded man."

## Lesson VIII

It is practically impossible for a false heart to hear truly.

The true musician knows when he hears true music.

The true artist knows when he sees true beauty.

Christ was on trial before *Pilate* in the first century; he is on trial before *Pilatism* now.

Character cannot be grown in the soil of compromise.

## Lesson IX

Like a grain of wheat dying on its way to a larger life, so Christ died on his way to a larger life in the lives of redeemed men.

Some cross must be borne by us all in our triumphal march to our coronation.

## The Lesson Heart Talk

The Golden Text gives the reason why the lessons of this Quarter should be ever kept in mind. They were written for one purpose only, and if for us that purpose fails, it is quite useless to have spent time upon them. Quite useless, did I say? Ah, more than that; we might better not have had the opportunity, for we shall be judged according to our light. But, dear members of my class, surely you do enter into the purpose for which these truths are written. Think what it is; it is God's loving heart toward us showing us what to believe, that believing we may have life. Let us believe with the simple faith which makes the truth our very own.

Recall the lessons; they are all about Jesus. He is the Good Shepherd who calls us by name; goes before us through dangerous places; takes care that we come to no harm in the midst of the sinful world where we must live; finds quiet resting places for us, and food and drink for our hungry hearts; and is so strong that no power can get us away from him if we hear his voice and follow him.

That Christ died for us and lives again are the two halves of the whole truth.

## Lesson X

Death is incidental, life is essential; death is temporary, life is eternal.

It would be passing strange if God who can raise the living to such heights of character and achievement could not raise the dead.

The resurrection of Christ in the past is a pledge of the Christian's resurrection in the future.

Construction requires more creative skill than reconstruction.

## Lesson XI

When we walk with Christ we walk with him who is familiar with every phase of human suffering and sorrow.

Death is the temporary, shadowy tunnel that lies on the way to the eternal day.

## Lesson XII

The path to eternal thrones leads through the land of temporary tribulations.

Christ's throne is a throne of peace, purity, power, life, love; and he who overcomes shall sit with Christ on that throne.

## Golden Text

Belief has led the way to the greatest inventions.

Belief has led the way to the greatest discoveries.

We are to "have life through his name" by belief.

He is the Life-giver; the Comforter of sorrowing souls; the One who has the power to fulfill his own word, "He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and he that liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

He reads all hearts, and accepts the loving service of those who give their best, whatever it may be, to him.

He is the King, whose crown lay beyond the cross. We follow him to victory only by the path of sacrifice. If we suffer, we shall also reign with him.

He is our example of self-forgetting love. Shall we refuse to serve in any way the least of his redeemed ones, when our Master, the Son of God, washed the feet of his unworthy disciples?

He is the true vine from which, if I live at all, I grow as a fruit-bearing branch. If my life and service give good promise the husbandman cuts, and prunes, and trains me. Let me be glad for all he does, rather than to cut me off as a worthless branch.

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