

Superintendent. He that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit.

School. Because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

All. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.

IV. BENEDICTION.

V. NATIONAL ANTHEM.

Lesson V.

DEFEAT THROUGH DRUNKENNESS— WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

November 4, 1917

1 Kings 20 : 1-21. *Scripture Memory Verses.

GOLDEN TEXT—Let not him that girdeth on his armour boast himself as he that putteth it off.—1 Kings 20 : 11 (Rev. Ver.).

1 And Ben-hadad the king of Syr'ia gathered all his host together; and there were thirty and two kings with him, and horses, and chariots; and he went up and besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

2 And he sent messengers to A'haz king of Is'rael into the city, and said unto him, Thus saith Ben-hadad,

3 Thy silver and thy gold is mine; thy wives also and thy children, even the goodliest, are mine.

4 And the king of Is'rael answered and said, * My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I am thine, and all that I have.

5 And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, * Although I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives, and thy children;

6 * Yet I will send my servants unto thee to-morrow about this time, and they shall search thine house, and the houses of thy servants; and it shall be, that whatsoever is pleasant in thine eyes, they shall put it in their hand, and take it away.

7 Then the king of Is'rael called all the elders of the land, and said, Mark, I pray you, and see how this man seeketh mischief; for he sent unto me for my wives, and for my children, and for my silver, and for my gold; and I denied him not.

8 And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hearken * not unto him, nor consent.

9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lord the king, All that thou didst send for to thy servant at the first I will do: but this thing I may not do. And the messengers departed, and brought him word again.

10 And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that follow me.

11 And the king of Is'rael answered and said, Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his * harness boast

himself as he that putteth it off.

12 And it came to pass, when Ben-hadad heard this message, as he was drinking, he and the kings in the pavilions, that he said unto his servants, Set yourselves in array. And they set themselves in array against the city.

13 And, behold, there came a prophet unto A'haz king of Is'rael, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this day; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord.

14 And A'haz said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the Lord, * Even by the young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall * order the battle? And he answered, Thou.

15 Then he * numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two hundred and thirty-two; and after them he * numbered all the people, even all the children of Is'rael, being seven thousand.

16 And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad was drinking himself drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him.

17 And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out * of Samaria.

18 And he said, Whether they be come out for peace, take them alive; or whether they be come out for war, take them alive.

19 So these * young men of the princes of the provinces * came out of the city, and the army which followed them.

20 And they slew every one his man; and the Syr'ians fled; and Is'rael pursued them: and Ben-hadad the king of Syr'ia escaped on an horse with * the horsemen.

21 And the king of Is'rael went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the Syr'ians with a great slaughter.

Revised Version—1 fought; * It is according to thy saying, my lord, O king; * I sent indeed unto thee; * but I; * thou not, neither consent; * armour; * a prophet came near unto Ahab; * By the; * begin; * numbered; * from; * went out of the city, the young; * Omit five words; * Omit the.

LESSON PLAN

I. A Drunken King, 12.

II. An Encouraging Prophet, 13-15.

III. A Mighty Victory, 16-21.

DAILY READINGS

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M.—Defeat through drunkenness, 1 Kgs. 20 : 1-12.

T.—Defeat through drunkenness, 1 Kgs. 20 : 13-21.

W.—Woe to the drunkard, Isa. 5 : 11-23. Th.—

Proud and drunken, Isa. 28 : 1-7. F.—Drunkenness

and ruin, Dan. 5 : 1-9. S.—Punishment of pride,

Dan. 5 : 18-23, 30. S.—"Be not deceived," Gal. 6 : 1-8.

Primary Catechism—Ques. 54. What did Jesus tell his disciples the Holy Spirit would do for them? Jesus said the Holy Spirit would help them to remember and to understand what he had taught them.

Shorter Catechism—Ques. 104. What do we pray for in the fourth petition? A. In the fourth petition (which is, Give us this day our daily bread) we pray, That of God's free gift we may receive a competent portion of the good things of this life, and enjoy his blessing with them.

Lesson Hymns—Book of Praise : Memory Hymn—Primary, 17; Junior, 19, 250, 246, 528, 530.

Special Scripture Reading—Matt. 7 : 7-11; given

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