

There are greater blessings in store for God's people than any they have yet enjoyed. v. 17.

The soul as well as the body, requires its daily food. v. 18.

Prove from Scripture

That we should study God's word.

Lesson Questions

[From the HOME STUDY QUARTERLY]

Juniors—Whose law did Nehemiah wish his people to obey? Who helped him to bring this about?

8, 9 What did Ezra read to the people? Who stood beside him as he read? How did the reading affect the people?

10-12 How does God feel towards sin? What good thing is He always ready to do for us? How should this make us feel? What does joy do for us?

13-15 To whom did the rulers of the people come? Wherefore? What feast did they find commanded?

16-18 When did the Feast of Tabernacles begin? Where did the people build booths? What was read each day of the Feast? What pledge did the people take?

Seniors and the Home Department—What did Nehemiah do after the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt? With what did his religious reformation begin?

8, 9 What produced repentance among the people? Define "repentance unto life." (Shorter Catechism, Ques. 87.) What does godly sorrow work? (2 Cor. 7:10.)

10-12 Should Christians be joyful? (John 15:11.) What command does Paul give concerning joy? (Phil. 4:4.)

13-18 What will God's word do for us? (2 Tim. 3:15.) What feeling should we have towards it? (Ps. 119:97.)

The Catechism

Ques. 106. *The Lord's Prayer*—its sixth petition. The Question has to do with temptation. Temptation in Scripture has two meanings. It signifies, first, a test. In this sense God tempts us, as He tempted Abraham (Gen. 22:1), to reveal our character and make us stronger to resist. If we are to overcome we must have strength higher than our own. This we may receive in answer to prayer (see 2 Cor. 12:9). Again temptation is used in the sense of enticement to sin. In this sense God tempts no man. The three sources of temptation are the world (Eph. 2:2), the flesh (James 1:14), and the devil, 1 Pet. 5:8. Against these we cannot stand by ourselves. What we need, and should pray for, is either to be kept from being tempted, or strengthened to resist successfully when we are tempted.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Lesson Subject—God redeeming His people by sending them His Word.

Introduction—We are all gathered here in our Sunday School to-day looking bright and happy and eager. Why are we here? What book are we going to study? (Show your Bible: draw outline.) How thankful we should be that we have our nice Sunday Schools where we may come to hear God's Word, to hear about Jesus and how we may please Him, to hear about the beautiful home in heaven.

A Bible School—Let us look at a very different Bible School. Outline again roughly Jerusalem with its walls. The wall is now finished, the gates are placed, and porters at the

