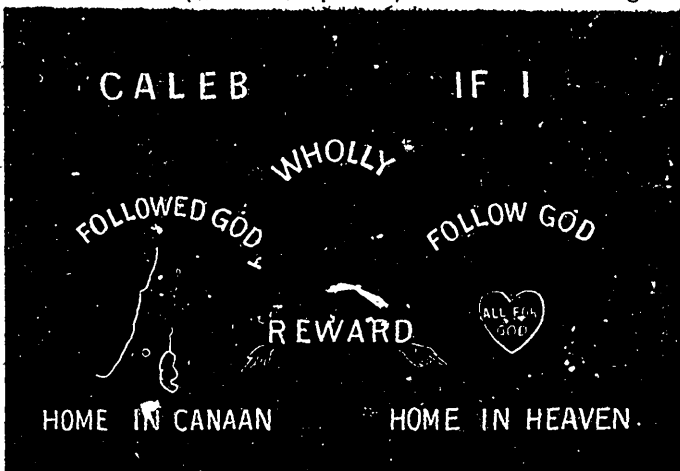


God in it." Some little boys and girls are not like him, they don't wholly follow God. Their hearts are not "all for God." (Rub out "all for God"). Sometimes God has to go out because they let Satan get into their hearts (write "Satan" in heart) and he, brings "unbelief" (write "unbelief" in heart) and "disobedience" (write "disobedience" in heart) and they take up all the room, and there is none left for God. That is a dreadful heart to have. I am sure none of us would like to have one like that. Let us, by having our hearts



all filled up with God, drive out Satan and all his bad things, and keep our hearts all for God. (Rub out "Satan," etc., and write in again "all for God." As Moses rewarded Caleb for wholly following God by promising him a home in Canaan, so God has promised me a home in heaven with Him if I love and wholly try to follow Him.

## LESSON XI—September 15th, 1895.

### The Cities of Refuge. JOSHUA 20: 1-9.

I. **GOLDEN TEXT:** "Who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us." Heb. 6: 18.

II. **PREVIEW THOUGHT:** "Christ the Refuge."

III. **REVIEW:** Where was Joshua when he divided the land amongst the tribes? About how old was he? Who came to him for his promised reward? What was it? Who promised Hebron to Caleb? Why did Moses promise it to Caleb? How should we follow God? What has he promised to us if we do?

IV. **INTERESTING EVENTS:** The division of the country amongst the tribes.

V. **LESSON STORY:** Not long after our last lesson we find the Israelites at a place called Shiloh. This was not far from Jerusalem, and near the centre of Palestine, and was the religious capital. The tabernacle was there, and the ark remained there for a long time. Joshua lived there, and it was there God spoke to him and told him to tell the Israelites to appoint cities of refuge. Those cities of refuge were places set apart where persons who had killed others without meaning to do so, could go and be safe from their enemies. There were six of them—three on each side of the river Jordan, at about equal distances from one another. On the sand-map form a map of Palestine, being careful to form the river Jordan, the sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea, and with little flags (made of paper, with "refuge" painted on them), mark each city.

On the west of the Jordan were

1. Kadesh, in Naphtali.
2. Shechem, in Mount Ephraim.
3. Hebron, in Judah.

On the east of the Jordan were—

4. Golan in Bashan.
5. Ramoth-Gilead, in Gad.
6. Bezer, in Reuben.

Or, on the blackboard draw a map of Palestine, and with coloured chalk, insert the names of the cities in their proper places. It may be difficult for some of the little ones to understand clearly why, for whom those cities were appointed. Therefore it would be well to try and