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## LESSON V.-THE TEMPLE DEDICATED.

[November 2.

1 Kings 8, 22-36,



22 And Solomon stood before the a altar of the Lord, in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven:

a 2 Chron. 6. 12. ATT 23 And he said, Lord God of Israel, b there is no God like thee, in heaven above or on earth beneath, c who keepest coven-

ant and mercy with thy servants that walk d before thee with all their heart; b Exod. 15. 11.—c Deut. 7. 9; Neh. 1. 5; Dan. 9.

24 Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it

with thine hand, as it is this day. 25 Therefore now, Lord God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him, saying, a There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; b so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked before me.

a There shall not be cut off unto thee a man from my sight; Psa. 12. 132.—b Only if.

26 And e Now, O God of Israel, let thy word, 1 pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father.

2 Sam. 7. 23 27 But f will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heaven, and g heaven of heavens, cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded!

f 2 Chron. 2. 6; Psa, 113. 4; Isa. 66. 1; Jer. 23. 24; Acts 7, 49; 17. 24. —g 2 Cor. 12. 2.

28 Yet have thou respect unto the h prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O Lord my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee to-day.

h Phil. 4. 6.

29 That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there; that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall i make c toward this

i Dan. 6. 10,-c Or, in this place.

30 And j hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray d toward this place: and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling-place; and when

thou hearest, k forgive.

j 2 Chron. 20, 9: Neb. 1. 6. — d Or, in this place.

— k Exod. 34, 6, 7; Pss. 85. 2; 103. 2, 3; 130. 4;
Dan. 9, 9: Matt. 6, 12; 1 John 1. 9.

31 If any man trespass against his neighbour, e and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house:

e And he require an oath of him.

32 Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, condemning l the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

33 When m thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee, and n shall turn again to thee,