

## No. 25, New Canadian Hymnal.

From all that dwell below the skies.

## No. 339, New Canadian Hymnal.

God be with you till we meet again.

## DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 183, 184, 187.

## QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

## 1. A Dedicated House, v. 14-18.

Who were the elders of the Jews?

Who were their leaders in the building of the temple?

How many years after the destruction of Solomon's temple was the second temple begun?

How many years after it was begun was it finished?

For about how many years did work cease upon it?

During how many years was the work vigorously pushed under the impulse of the prophets Haggai and Zechariah?

What did each of the kings mentioned in verse 14 do to advance the work?

At what season of the year was the work finished?

What is the meaning of "dedication"?

How many sacrifices were offered?

How many sacrifices were offered at the dedication of the first temple? (2 Chron. 7, 5.)

Was one more acceptable to God than the other?

What is the rule of acceptance? (2 Cor. 8, 12.)

## 2. A Dedicated People, v. 19-22.

What feast did the people keep?

When was this feast instituted, and what did it commemorate?

What was required of those who partook? (2 Chron. 30, 17, 18.)

Who ate the passover here described?

What ceremony in the modern Church takes the place of the Hebrew passover?

What is meant by "filthiness of the heathen"? What is "unleavened bread," and why was it used at this feast?

How did they keep the feast? (Verse 22.)

How had they kept the dedication? (Verse 16.)

Why were they joyful?

Who was the King of Assyria?

How may we become pure? (1 John 1, 7-9.)

Why should we wish to become pure? (Matt. 5, 8.)

What should be our prayer? (Psalm 51, 10.)

## Practical Teachings.

What illustrations have we in this lesson of—

1. A heart-temple dedicated to God's service?

2. A heart-service according to God's law?

3. A heart purified and joyous in God's worship?

## Hints for Home Study.

1. Find wherein the sacrifices of Solomon's temple differed from those here offered.

2. Find when and how David came to divide the priests into courses.

3. How did ancient worshippers purify themselves?

## QUESTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARS.

## 1. A Dedicated House, v. 14-18.

Who builded the house of the Lord?

What prophets encouraged the work?

According to whose orders was the work done?

In what month and day was the work finished?

In what year of Darius?

Who came together to dedicate the house of the Lord?

What thank offering did the people make?

What was the sin offering?

What orders were given for priests and Levites?

Who had established this order?

## 2. A Dedicated People, v. 19-22.

What feast did the people keep?

What preparations had the priests made?

For whom did they kill the passover lamb?

Who partook of the feast?

How long did they keep the feast?

Who had given them joy?

How had the Lord aided them?

Who can control all rulers as he will? (Prov. 21, 1.)

When ought all of God's people to have joy? (GOLDEN TEXT.)

## Teachings of the Lesson.

Where are we taught these lessons of duty—

1. Joy in God's service?

2. Purity in God's service?

3. Devotion to God's service?

## Home Work for Young Bereans.

Find wherein the sacrifices of Solomon's temple differed from those here offered.

Find when and how David came to divide the priests into courses.

How did ancient worshippers purify themselves?

## QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

Who encouraged the Jews to finish the temple? **Zerubbabel and Joshua.**

What did their enemies again try to do? **To hinder them.**

To whom did they write evil letters? **To King Darius.**

What did Darius command? **That the Jews be allowed to build.**

What did this command cause? **Great joy.**