

story he was a grown-up young man. His mother was dead. It was time that Isaac should have a wife, but he must not choose one for himself. His father must choose one for him. She must not be one of the heathen girls of that land. Where shall Abraham find a wife for Isaac? He makes up his mind to send his trusted servant Eliezer away back to the city of Haran where Abraham's nephew Laban and his people lived, and there choose a wife for Isaac. So Abraham sent Eliezer with ten camels, several of them laden with beautiful presents, to be given to the one that should be the bride of Isaac.

*Rebekah at the Well*—When he came near the end of his journey, he made up his mind that he would go to the well outside the city and he would ask the women for a drink of water. He prayed that God would cause the right one to answer, "Yes, here is water to drink, and I shall also give some to your camels." This was to be a sign to him which one to choose.

A beautiful young girl came to the well with her water jug, just as Eliezer went up to ask for a drink. Rebekah, for that was her name, said at once, "Yes, I shall give you

water to drink, and I shall also give some to your camels." She looked so sweet and gentle and kind. She must be the one God wants to be Isaac's wife. Rebekah wanted the stranger to go home with her, and he told her father and brother what his errand was. They were quite willing that Rebekah should go to be the wife of Isaac. Then Eliezer presented the gifts he had brought and asked that the bride should be ready to go next day. They thought that was too soon to part with her, but they said, "Ask her when she would like to go."

*Lesson*—Tell the rest of the story, vs. 57-67.

*Golden Text*—Repeat Golden Text. All this joy came to Rebekah because she had been kind to Abraham's servant.

*Kindness*—Are you kind to the new boy who comes to live near you? Are you kind to the little foreign children or do you laugh at them and call them names? Think of all the stories we read about Jesus just being kind to people. Will you try to do a kind deed to somebody every day?

*Sing*—"One is kind above all others," Hymn 542, Book of Praise. Copy him.

*What the Lesson Teaches Me*—I SHOULD BE KIND.

### FROM THE PLATFORM

REBEKAH'S  
CHOICE

REBEKAH'S  
JOURNEY

REBEKAH'S  
MARRIAGE

Tell the scholars that the lesson contains three pictures, and draw on the blackboard three frames to represent these pictures. In the first picture print REBEKAH'S CHOICE. Question out the details of vs. 57, 58, and bring out the characteristics of Rebekah which would make her a good wife for Isaac (see Lesson Explained). Next, print in the second frame, REBEKAH'S JOURNEY, and get the scholars to trace in a general way the route of the caravan from Haran to Beer-lahai-roi. Now, in the third frame, print REBEKAH'S MARRIAGE, and question about the meeting of Rebekah and Isaac. Having brought out the facts of the lesson in some such way as this, start the question whether all the events of the lesson happened by chance. Bring out the evidences of the divine plan in the mission of Eliezer and in Rebekah's ready consent to go with him to the home of Isaac. Press home the lesson that we should see a plan of God in our lives and should seek, in all that we do, to fulfil that plan.