

- Z.* The joyful sound. Ps. 89. 7-18.
F. The Dayspring. Luke 1. 68-79.
S. The Gospel of life. 2 Tim. 1. 8-13.
S. Whosoever. Rom. 10. 1-13.

LESSON HYMNS.

No. 317, New Canadian Hymnal.

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.

No. 319, New Canadian Hymnal.

The morning light is breaking.

No. 321, New Canadian Hymnal.

A better day is coming.

DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 183, 181, 182.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. **The Voice of Comfort**, v. 1, 2.
 To whom did Isaiah speak?
 Whom did he regard as God's "people"?
 What national calamity still far in the future had he foreseen?
 By what great man were the captive Hebrews led back to Jerusalem?
 What is meant by "her warfare is accomplished"?
 What is meant by "double for all her sins"?
2. **The Voice of Command**, v. 3-8.
 What strange sound seemed to interrupt the prophet while delivering this message of comfort to Jerusalem?
 What wide wilderness was to divide the captive Jews from the fatherland?
 What Oriental custom is referred to by "preparing a way" and "making straight a highway"?
 What voice cried in the wilderness at the advent of Christ?
 Whose voices are now crying in the wilderness of heathendom?
 What encouragement do we find for missionary endeavor in the fifth verse?
 How may the missionary laborers of modern times be compared to John the Baptist?
 What new voice is heard in the sixth verse?
 What does the prophet ask God? (Verse 6.)
 Read the divine answer. (Verses 6-8.)
 What lesson does Jesus draw from the flowers of the field?
 What is here revealed as the only permanent force in this world of change?
3. **The Voice of Hope**, v. 9, 10.
 Who is coming to rule the earth?
 How may we hasten the day of his coming?
 What is the **GOLDEN TEXT**?

Can one be a Christian and not have missionary zeal?

Practical Teachings.

Where in this lesson do we learn—

1. That God does not forsake us though we forsake him?
2. That the Lord comes to reign over every human heart?
3. That the way of the Lord must be prepared by human agency?
4. That God's word cannot fail?
5. That the full revelation of God's glory should strike no terror into human hearts?

Hints for Home Study.

1. Reproduce a New Testament scene by which the third verse was fulfilled.
2. Reproduce a New Testament scene by which the fifth verse was fulfilled.
3. Jot down five conclusive evidences of divinity in the acts or utterances of our Lord Jesus.

QUESTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARS.

1. **The Voice of Comfort**, v. 1, 2.
 Whom was the prophet to comfort?
 To what city was he to declare a message?
 What was he to say to her?
 Why was Jerusalem pardoned?
2. **The Voice of Command**, v. 3-8.
 Where was this voice to be heard?
 What was it to bid men to do?
 How must the way be prepared?
 What thus would be revealed to them? (**GOLDEN TEXT**.)
 What further command was given?
 To what were the people likened?
 What befell the grass?
 What is there that endures?
 What says Peter about this enduring word? (1 Pet. 1. 25.)
3. **The Voice of Hope**, v. 9, 10.
 Where was Zion to go?
 What was Jerusalem to do?
 What words of hope were to be uttered?
 How would the Lord come?
 What is said of his reward and work?
 What is John's testimony as to his coming? (Rev. 22. 12.)

Teachings of the Lesson.

Where in this lesson do we taught—

1. That sin may be pardoned?
2. The duty of repentance?
3. The brevity of human life?

Home Work for Young Bereans.

- Find what great servant of God fulfilled verse 3.
 Find when the glory of the Lord was revealed to all flesh.
 Find a lesson which our Saviour draws from the flower of the field.