

Lesson XIII. REVIEW, SUPPLEMENTAL LESSONS September 25, 1910

BIBLE WORK. SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGES. PRIMARY CATECHISM—QUESTIONS 102-115. SHORTER CATECHISM—QUESTIONS 61-72. SUPPLEMENTAL HYMN, 539, BOOK OF PRAISE. THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE QUARTER.

TEMPERANCE LESSON

Galatians 5 : 15-26—Memory Verses, 22, 23.

Golden Text—If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.—Galatians 5 : 25.



15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

16 *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh : and these are contrary the one to the other : so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these* : Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like : of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance : against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

THE LESSON RETOLD

One of the heathen countries in which the apostle Paul had preached, was that called Galatia. There Paul had persuaded the people to give up worshipping idols, and to become followers of Jesus Christ.

But some time after Paul had left that country, he heard that some Jewish teachers were trying to make the Galatians believe that they could not be saved unless they obeyed all the rules of the old Jewish law. So Paul wrote a letter to his Galatian friends, and in this letter he warned them not to listen to these teachers, for Christ alone could save them, and they were not required to obey these rules of the Jews.

Still, they were not to think that they might do whatever they pleased, for there were many sinful things that they must not

do. If they allowed God's Holy Spirit to guide them in everything, they would be able to keep from sinning. Sinful people might try ever so hard to draw them away from what was right and good, but the Holy Spirit was so much stronger than these, and He would help them to say "No", when they were tempted.

Paul reminded the Galatians of some of the wicked things which were in the world—idolatry, murder, hatred, jealousy, drunkenness and such like. God's children must avoid all these, or they could not enter into His home in heaven. Of all these evils, drunkenness is one of the worst. Wine seems a very pleasant thing at first, but if people go on drinking it, they become so fond of drink, that at last it is very, very hard to