

V. 4 tells of some things which are to be absent from the holy city,—thus helping to make it a city of joy. Have one of the scholars name these. Now go back to v. 3 and have the class tell the real secret of the joy of the city,—God dwelling with his people. Some one will readily tell now why no temple is found in the city. v. 22.

2. *The City of Glory*, vs. 23, 24. Ask where our light comes from, and from whom the sun and moon derive the light which they give. Have the scholars tell then why there is no need of sun or moon in the new holy city which John saw in his vision. (See v. 23.) What great honor is paid to this city? (See v. 24.)

3. *The City of Peace*, vs. 25, 26. Have one of the scholars tell something about the old

Eastern cities, and how they were walled about with gates in the wall by which travelers entered. Discuss the purpose of the wall and the closing of the gates. (See Lesson Explained.) The scholars may find a parallel in the fortifications surrounding many European cities to-day. Why are these not necessary in God's heavenly city? Bring out the beauty of the peace which will rule when all nations unite to honor the city of God.

Discuss, in closing, with the class how we may have our names written in the "Lamb's book of life," and become citizens of this ideal city. Urge all to work to make the world a city like it, by trying to crush all those things which our lesson tells us cannot exist in it, and by striving for all the things of Christ which make the city joyous and glorious and peaceful.

ADDED HINTS AND HELPS

In this section will be found further assistance under various headings.

Something to Look Up

1. "Whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Jesus spoke these words. Find them.

2. "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Where is the invitation given?
ANSWERS, Lesson XI.—(1) John 11 : 25.
(2) Col. 3 : 23.

For Discussion

1. Are churches necessary in order to the worship of God?
2. Will the present world be utterly destroyed?

Prove from Scripture

That an enduring city is prepared for believers.

The Question on Missions

Ques. 12. The teacher of the little ones

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

A Look Forward—Our story is about the heavenly home.

Lesson Thought—We must get ready for this heavenly home.

Review—Recall Lesson X., December 3.

Another Vision—Jesus showed John another vision. He sees a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth

should talk with them, first, of what the Mission has done for the boys, in the way of giving them a chance to get a good education, so that many of them have become teachers and preachers, while those who have become farmers, have been greatly helped by their education. Next, it should be shown how the Mission has given to girls a position equal to that of boys in the home and has trained many of them to be good and useful women.

Some additional facts for the classes of boys and girls and older scholars are the good positions held by former scholars in the Mission Schools. One is a member of the Board of Education for Trinidad; some have become lawyers, and one or two doctors. A few have been trained by the missionaries to become carpenters and Hindi printers. Mission girls have become Bible women, good wives and mothers, and an example to the heathen about them in their home life.

have passed away, and there is no more sea. There appeared, floating down from heaven, the holy city. The beauty and glory of it dazzled John's eyes.

Golden Text—John heard a great voice. (Repeat Golden Text.)

No More Sadness—Tell v. 4 (repeat).

The Heavenly City—Describe the New Jeru-