

6. Do not be jealous of, but imitate and learn from those who are wiser and cleverer. given us a queen who far excels Solomon in piety and moral greatness, and rules over a larger and richer empire.
7. Because God loved our nation he has

BLACKBOARD REVIEW.

The Golden Text gives the cue to our treatment of the lesson from the superintendent's desk. The facts of the narrative may be grouped under the three heads *Came to*, *Learned from*, and *Told about*, *Solomon*. Then as you apply the lesson to

THE QUEEN OF SHEBA

CAME TO
LEARNED FROM
TOLD ABOUT

} SOLOMON.

"I greater than Solomon is here."

One Greater than Solomon, rub out "THE QUEEN OF SHEBA," and substitute JESUS for Solomon. Then change successively the three points to *Come to*, *Learn from*, and *Tell about*, closing with the thought that he is here, and now asking the question, which you will complete

on the board by writing WILL YOU, where "The queen of Sheba" was written, and placing a note of interrogation after JESUS?

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Solomon's Sin. I KINGS 11: 4-13.

(Commit to memory verses 9, 10).

GOLDEN TEXT: "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." I Cor. 10: 12.

PROVE THAT—Idolatry is forbidden. Lev. 26: 1.

SHORTER CATECHISM. Questions 70, 71, 72.

LESSON HYMNS. *Children's Hymnal*—Nos. 11, 131, 120, 122.

DAILY PORTIONS. *Monday*. Solomon's sin. I Kings 11: 4-13. *Tuesday*. Ahijah's prophecy. I King; 11: 29-38. *Wednesday*. Wise counsel forsaken. I Kings 12: 1-11. *Thursday*. The kingdom divided. I Kings 12: 12-20. *Friday*. Danger of evil companionship. Deut. 7: 1-11. *Saturday*. Resisting warning. Jer. 44: 1-11. *Sabbath*. Idols of the heart. Ezek. 1.: 1-8. (*The I. B. R. A. Selections*.)

EXPOSITORY NOTES.

INTRODUCTORY. The Bible does not pass over the faults of the good men whose lives it records. It tells of Noah's drunkenness, Moses' loss of temper, David's sin, and Solomon's lapse into idolatry. "The Old Testament histories are not written to tell Israel's glories, or even, we may say, to recount its history, but to tell God's dealings with Israel—a very different theme, and one which finds its material equally in the glories and in the miseries which he sent to follow its obedience and disobedience. When one so greatly favored did not stand we need to take heed to ourselves lest we too "depart from the living God." Time, B. C. 990-975. Solomon's fall is not mentioned in Chronicles.

LESSON PLAN. I. Solomon's Sin. vs. 4-8. II. Solomon's Sentence. vs. 9-13.

4. For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods; and his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father—

The warnings of Ex. 34: 16, and Deut. 7: 3, 4 had been unheeded and the predicted consequences followed (See also Deut. 17: 15-17; Neh. 13: 26). As he was but 60 at the time of his death, "old" is here a relative term,