

HOME STUDY LEAFLET.

LESSON 11.

DECEMBER 16th, 1894.

4th QUARTER.

The Twelve Sent Forth. MATT. 10: 5-16,

(Commit to memory verses 7-10.)

GOLDEN TEXT.

"As ye go preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matt. 10: 7.

PROVE THAT

The gospel is for all. Mark 16: 15.

SHORTER CATECHISM.

Quest. 106. *What do we pray for in the sixth petition?* A. In the sixth petition (which is, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil), we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

LESSON HYMNS.

CHILDREN'S HYMNAL. 163, 168, 172, 165.

DAILY PORTIONS.

(The Selections of the I. B. R. A.)

MONDAY—The Twelve Sent Forth.

Matt. 10: 5-16.

TUESDAY—Opposition Predicted.

Matt. 10: 17-25.

WEDNESDAY—Real Disciples.

Matt. 10: 32-42.

THURSDAY—To the Jew First.

Acts 13: 42-49.

FRIDAY—Scattered Sheep.

Matt. 9: 32-38.

SATURDAY—Mission of the Seventy.

Luke 10: 1-9.

SABBATH—Privileges Neglected.

Luke 10: 10-16.

To the Teacher.—Do not credit any Scholar with having prepared the lesson who does not at least try to answer the questions. Take the leaflet home and assign a value to each answer, announcing the result on the following Sabbath. *Take, or send, the Leaflet to absent scholars.*

The General Assembly will give a beautiful Diploma, signed by the Moderator, Rev. G. L. Mackay, D. D., of Formosa, to every scholar under twenty years of age who can answer all the questions in the Shorter Catechism correctly at one recitation. Names may be forwarded at any time to Rev. W. Farquharson, Claude, Ont., but must be certified by the minister or S. S. superintendent. Can you not take one?

Are you Getting Ready for the Examination on January 26th?

HELPS IN STUDYING.

INTRODUCTORY. Read from Matthew 8: 18, for the events between the lessons. What places did he visit, and how many miracles did he perform? The Twelve were sent forth about the close of the second year of our Saviour's ministry, A. D. 28. Parallel passages, Mark 6: 7-13; Luke 9: 1-6.

LESSON PLAN. I. Their Instructions. vs. 5-10. II. Their Reception. vs. 11-16.

I. THEIR INSTRUCTIONS. 5. **These Twelve**—the Apostles (see Lesson 6). What were their names? They were sent forth two and two (Mark 6: 7). **Go not in the way of the Gentiles**—Do not take any road leading to a gentile community. **Samaritans**—They were not to preach to the Samaritans either. The Samaritans were a mixed race, partly of Hebrew descent (2 Kings 17: 24). They believed the five books of Moses, and had a temple on Mt. Gerizim. (See John 4: 20.) 6. **House of Israel**—Christ wished the gospel to be first preached to the Jews. (Matt. 15: 24; Acts 3: 25, 26; 13: 46.) They were "lost sheep." (Ps. 119: 176; Isa. 53: 6; Jer. 50: 6, 17; 1 Pet. 2: 25.) 7. **The kingdom of heaven**—the gospel dispensation. This was John's message (ch. 3: 2), and that of Christ himself at first (ch. 4: 17). 8. **Freely give**—The power to do these things cost them nothing, so they were to charge nothing for exerting it. Compare Acts 8: 18-20. Peter was indignant at being asked to sell this gift. By working miracles they were able to shew that Christ had sent them. 9. **Purses**—"girdles." The belt was hollow, and used

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for carrying money in; their garments did not have pockets. They were not to carry even the smallest brass coin. **10. Scrap**—a "scrap" bag. A leathern pouch for carrying provisions. They were not to take a change of raiment, nor spare sandals, nor were they to go and buy a traveller's staff for the journey. They were to start out just as they were; live on the hospitality of those they came to; and trust to God's providential care to supply all their wants. Their mission was a temporary one. Luke 10: 7; 1 Cor. 9: 7; 1 Tim. 5: 18.

II. THEIR RECEPTION. II. Worthy—i. e. "to have you as his guest," because he is "waiting for the consolation of Israel." Luke adds "go not from house to house." Hospitable neighbors might invite them, but they were to be so taken up with their mission as to have no time to waste in receiving kindly meant attentions. **12. Salute it**—The usual words would be "Peace be to this house" (Luke 10: 5). **13. Let your peace come upon it**—If they are kindly received and en-

tertained, Christ will hear their courteous salutation as if it were a prayer, and bless those who live in the house: If they refuse to take them in, then they will receive no blessing. **14. Shake off the dust**—as a sign that you have no fellowship whatever with them, not even a speck of their dust upon you. Compare Luke 9: 52-56; Neh. 5: 13; Acts 13: 51; 18: 6. **15. Sodom and Gomorrah**—(Gen. 19: 24-28). These cities had nothing but the example of inconsistent Lot to teach them. Bad as they were, their guilt was less than that of those who had the whole Old Testament and the institutions of religion to instruct and help them. What shall we say of ourselves in comparison, if we reject Christ? Compare Matt: 11: 22-24. **16. Wise as serpents and harmless as doves**—They were to be prudent and guileless. Since Christ sent them forth, they were to conduct themselves as became his apostles, and rest confident that he would not suffer the "wolves" to harm them.

To the Scholar.—Study the lesson carefully, turning up the marginal references and reading the "Daily Portions." Then close your Bible and try to answer in writing the questions following *without accepting aid from any quarter* after you have begun to write. Then bring this leaflet to Sabbath School with you on the day of its date. If you cannot come, fill out the blank and send the leaflet (with the answers written out) to your teacher by some friend, or by mail, and you will receive credit for the work done as if you had been present. If your excuse is satisfactory, you will not lose in record of attendance.

- 1—To whom did Jesus send the Twelve? (4)
- 2—What did he tell them to preach? (4)
- 3—What did he give them power to do? (4)
- 4—What did he tell them not to do? (4)
- 5—Why were those that rejected them more guilty than Sodom and Gomorrah? (5).
- 6—How were they to conduct themselves? (4)

Name,

Dear Teacher,—Please excuse my absence from Sabbath School to-day, I cannot come because I have read the "Daily Portions" and answered the questions as well as I could. I have committed to memory verses in addition to the Golden Text, and Questions in the Catechism and have recited them to I was at church
I send with this my Weekly Offering of cents.