Primary Quarterly for Little Folks.

Dear Children,

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Once upon a time there was a little Zulu boy, who learned that after Jesus went to heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit to earth to live in the hearts of boys and girls who would let Him. The Zulu boy said "I will let Him," and took the Holy Spirit by faith into his heart. When he went home he said to his mother, "mother, I mus'nt hurt Him." "Hurt whom," said his mother. "The Holy Spirit of Jesus, for He is living in my heart. If I do anything wrong, I will hurt Him." It is about this Holy Spirit that we are to learn this Ouarter.

We learn about-

First.	The	Holy	Spirit of	fLov	e-Promised to the Disciples.
Second.	**	**	"	**	Coming as Promised.
Third.	"		66	**	Promised to all.
Fourth.	"		**		Making me strong.
Fifth.	"	**	"	**	Setting me free.
Sixth.	"	**	**	**	Reading my heart.
Seventh.		"		"	Making me brave.
Eighth,	66	"		**	Keeping me faithful.
Ninth.		. 66	**	**	Making me unselash.
Tenth.	**			66	Making me helpful.
Eleventh		"	"	"	Changing my heart.
Twelfth.	66				Giving me victory.

Our Golden Text for this Quarter is "The Word of God grew and multiplied "-that means-that the Holy Spirit lived in the hearts of boys and girls, and men and women all over the land.

As we learn these beautiful lessons this Quarter, let us give the Holy Spirit our whole hearts, and be careful not to "hurt" Him by wrong thoughts, words, or deeds.

Your loving friends,

MR. & MRS. G. H. ARCHIBALD.

SESSION PROGRAMME ->FOR THE Primary Department. SUPERINTENDENT. "Good afternoon children." T. "Good afternoon, Mrs. or Miss. SCHOOL. II. SILENCE. III. RECITATION. "Safely through another week, God has brought us on our way ; Let us now, a blessing seek, Waiting in His courts to-day. Day of all the week the best, Emblem of eternal rest. IV. HYMN. (Given line by line by Superintendent, and repeated by V. PRAYER. scholars, until known, when all may repeat it together. See Children's Hymnal, No. 219).

" Jesus from Thy throne on high, Far above the bright blue sky, Look on us with loving eye. Hear us, Holy Jesus.

Be thou near us every day, In our work and in our play, When we learn, and when we pray: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

May our thoughts be undefiled, May our words be true and mild, Make us each a holy child: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

May we grow, from day to day, Glad to learn each holy way, Ever ready to obey. Hear us, Holy Jesus.

VI. BIRTHDAY OFFERING .- (With birthday prayer).

God in heaven our loving Father, ——long years by night and day Hast watched o'er our mend— While at sleep, at work, at play. May——life be long and happy, May God have——heart's best love, And when life on earth is ended, May we meet in heaven above.

VII. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON.—(The Lord's prayer—or the Beatitudes—or, the Twenty-Third Psalm—or the Shortened Commandments).

VIII. MOTION SONG.

IX. RECITATION. - A former supplemental lesson, Twenty-Third Psalm, or other.

X. INTIMATIONS.

XI. Collection .- (Marching, singing, and dropping money in basket).

DROPPING PENNIES.

(COLLECTION SONG).

(Words and music can be found in " Song and Study for God's little ones." R. B. McCabe & Co., Publishers, 166 South Clinton Street, Chicago).

> Hear the pennies dropping, Listen while they fall, Every one for Jesus,— He will get them all.

REFRAIN—Dropping, dropping, dropping, Hear the pennies fall, Every one for Jesus,— He will get them all.

> Dropping, dropping ever, From each little hand, 'Tis our gift to Jesus, From his little band.

Now while we are little, Pennies are our store, Fut when we are older, Lord, we'll give Thee more.

Tho' we have not money We can give him love; He will own our offering, Smiling from above.

XII. COLLECTION PRAYER.

XIII. ROLL TAKEN AND LESSON-STORY TAUGHT BY TEACHERS.

XIV. WARNING BELL.-(3 minutes to close lesson).

XV. HYMN.

XVI. LESSON REVIEW AND APPLICATION BY SUPERINTENDENT.

XVII. PRAYER.

XVIII. PARTING HYMN.

XIX. DISTRIBUTION OF PAPEES, ETC., AND PREPARATION FOR DISMISSION.

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XX. DISMISSION.

LESSON I-January 3rd, 1897. Christ's Ascension. ACTS I: I-14. *>>>@!!@~~*

GOLDEN TEXT: "While he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven." Luke 24: 51.



The former treatise have I made, O Theoph'i-lus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen :

3 To whom also he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me,

5 For John truly baptized with water ; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Is' ra-el?

7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you : and ye shall be witnesses unto me both Mary the mother of Je'sus, and with his brethren.

in Je-ru'sa-lem, and in all Jude'a, and in Sa-ma'ri-a, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men

stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Gal'i-lee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven ? this same le'sus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto Je-ru'sa-lem from the mount called Ol'i-vet, which is from Je-ru'sa-lem a sabbath day's journey.

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Pe'ter, and James, and John, and An'drew, Phil'ip, and Thom'as, Bar-thol'o-mew, and Mat'thew, James the son of Al-phe'us, and Si'mon Ze-lo'tes, and Ju'das the brother of James.

14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and

MY VERSES THIS WEEK. MY HYMN THIS WEEK. NANAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKA -0--0-MONDAY-Luke 24: 49. UR blest Redeemer, ere he TUESDAY-Isa. 44: 3. WEDNESDAY-John 14: 16. breathed, THURSDAY-John 14: 26. His tender, last farewell, FRIDAY-John 15: 26. A guide, a comforter bequeathed, SATURDAY-John 16: 7. SABBATH-Luke 24: 51. With us to dwell. MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

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NE cold morning a ragged and miserable looking boy was going about the streets in London, a gentleman passing by seeing him so poor and hungry-looking asked him some questions and promised him some food and shelter if he would go to a ragged school. Poor little fellow ! he had never known a mother's love, and his father was

a drunkard. When the kind teachers in the ragged school told him the story about Jesus, he was so glad, and became one of his little ones and Jesus sent the Holy Spirit of love to live in his heart. One evening he was sitting singing to himself, "I am so glad that Jesus loves me !" "Stop that" roared his father, and Willie was silent, but soon forgetting what his father had said began again "I am so glad." This time he was ordered to bed, and though he went quietly enough, the wordskeptringing in his father's head "Jesus loves me." In the middle of the night he was awakened by hearing his name called, "Willie, Willie, sing that again." Could it be a dream? No, there sat his father beside his bed. So Willie sang the hymn. "Is it all true Willie?" "Quite true father, he loves you, he died for you, he is in heaven now asking God to bless you." "Oh ! Willie could you pray for me." With his arms around his father's neck Willie prayed, "Dear Jesus this is my father and he says he has been very wicked, teach him to love you, and send the Holy Spirit of love into his heart." Little Willie's prayer was answered.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- I. How many days did Jesus stay on the earth after he rose from the dead ?
- 2. How did Jesus go back to heaven?
- 3. Who saw him going?
- Who saw him going ?
 Whom did he promise to send ?

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MY LESSON

TO THE DISCIPLES.

MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

GR God ! & thank thee that before Jesus left the earth, he promised to send the Holy Spirit of bove.

LESSON !!--January 10th, 1897.

The Holy Spirit Given. Acts 2: 1-13.



GOLDEN TEXT : "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost." Acts 2: 4.



1 And when the day of Pen'te-cost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3' And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling at Je-ru'sa-lem, Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own languagé.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Gal'i-le'ans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? 9 Par'thi-ans and Medes, and E'lam-ites,

9 Par'thi-ans and Medes, and E'lam-ites, and the dwellers in Mes'o-po-ta'mi-a, and in Ju-de'a, and Cap'pa-do'ci-a, in Pon'tus, and A'si-a,

10 Phryg'i-a, and Pam-phyl'i-a, in E'gypt, and in the parts of Lib'y-a about Cy-re'ne, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and A-ra'bi-ans, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK. — 0— @OME Holy Spirit heavenly Dove, With all Thy quickening powers, Kindle a flame of sacred love, In these cold hearts of ours. MY VERSES THIS WEEK. -0-MONDAY-Acts 10: 44. TUESDAY—Acts 4: 31. WEDNESDAY—Acts 8: 17. THURSDAY-Acts II: 15. FRIDAY-Acts 8: 39. SATURDAY-Acts 2: 33. SABBATH-Acts 2: 4.

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ID you ever know a little boy called Willie? I did, and I am going to tell you about him. Willie was a strong little fellow of seven years, just like some of you little boys. His mother loved him dearly, but her eyes would fill with tears sometimes when Willie was cross to anyone. Mother knew just what it was that made Willie so cross, and I wonder if any of the little ones can tell what was the matter? Yes, dear children, there was one awful thing-yes-an awful thing in Willie's heart, and it takes just three letters to spell it, the first is "S," the second "I," and the third "N," yes, Sin. Sin is a dreadful thing, it is just like a big serpent, because it twines itself right into our hearts and we cannot put it out. Jesus can save us from this terrible serpent if we will ask him to do so. One day Willie went to Sunday school, and his teacher talked about Jesus sending his Holy Spirit of Love into the hearts of little boys and girls, and that he would come in right away, if they would only open the door of their hearts for him. Willie wanted the Holy Spirit of Love to drive out the sin from his heart, so he asked Jesus for him, and from that moment Willie was a different little boy. He went home and told mother that he had asked for the Jesus Spirit, and mother was so happy and glad as she watched her little boy, day after day, and saw that he was getting loving and kind and unselfish just like Jesus.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

In what form did the Holy Spirit come upon Jesus?

- Ι. Where were the disciples when he came to them ? 2.
- In what form did he come to them?
- 3. What will the Holy Spirit of Love do for our hearts? 4.

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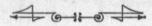
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OR God! & thank thee that the Holy Spirit promised by Jeaus, came into the Reart of the disciples and will also come into my heart.

LESSON III-January 17th, 1897.

A Multitude Converted. Acts 2: 32-47.



GOLDEN TEXT: The promise is to you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, Acts 2: 39.







of we all are witnesses.

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

34 For Da'vid is not ascended into the heavens ; but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.36 Therefore let all the house of Is'ra-el know assuredly, that God hath made that same Je'sus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Pe'ter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then Pe'ter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Je'sus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar daily such as should be saved.

32 This Je'sus hath God raised up, where- off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

> 40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

> 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized : and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

> 42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers.

> 43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done'by the apostles.

> 44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

> 45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

> 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

> 47 Praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church

Y VERSES THIS WEEK. M MY HYMN THIS WEEK. 0 ANANAN WARANANDAD HOSOEVER heareth! shout, MONDAY-Joel 2: 28. TUESDAY-Joel 2: 32. shout the sound ! WEDNESDAY-Acts 10: 45. Send the blessed tidings all the world THURSDAY-Acts II: 15. around ! FRIDAY-Acts 15: 3. SATURDAY-Acts 15: 8. Spread the joyful news wherever man SABBATH-Acts 2: 39. Whosoever will may come. [is found:

NCE upon a time there was a rich man who owned a field. One day he put this notice up. "Any person who will come and ask for this field may have it for nothing". By and by a man came along and read the notice, and said to himself, "Oh, I don't believe that there is anybody foolish enough to give away such a nice piece of h ad as that for nothing." Soon another man came along, and when he saw the

notice he laughed to himself, and said, "Nobody is going to make a fool of me like that," and he passed on, and so, all that day, one and another passed by, and read the notice, and one said one thing about it, and another, another, but nobody would believe that the rich man really meant what he said, and therefore did not go to ask him for the field. A good man could have had the field, and a bad man could have had it, for the rich man promised to give it for nothing to anybody who asked for it, but nobody would ask for it, and no one who passed that day believed what he said.

God has promised the Holy Spirit of Love to all who ask him, but a great many people who see the promise and hear the promise will not believe it, and like the foolish people who passed by the field, and would not believe that they could get it for the asking; they do not ask nor believe that God will give them his Holy Spirit. How foolish of them, for God is waiting and longing to give his Holy Spirit to all who ask him.

- 1. Where did the Holy Spirit of Love come from?
- 2. Who sent Him?
- 3. Where is His home upon the earth?
- 4. What is the Golden Text.

MY LESSONS THIS QUARTER ARE ABOUT





MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

OR God! & thank thee that the Holy Spirit of love is promised to all who will take Him.

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LESSON IV—January 24th, 1897. The Lame Man Healed. Acts 3: 1-16.

GOLDEN TEXT: "His name through faith in his name hath made this man strong." Acts 3: 16.





I Now Pe'ter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the ninth *hour*.

2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

4 And Pe'ter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Je'sus Christ of Naz'a-reth rise up and walk.

7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:

10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amaze-

1 Now Pe'ter and John went up together ment at that which had happened unto him.

II And as the lame man which was healed held Pe'ter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Sol'o-mon's, greatly wondering.

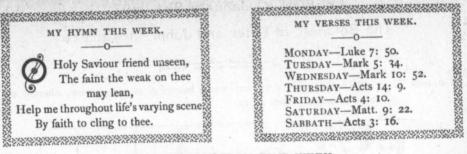
12 And when Pe'ter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Is'ra-el, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of A'bra-ham, and of I'saac, and of Ja'cob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Je'sus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pi'late, when he was determined to let *kim* go.

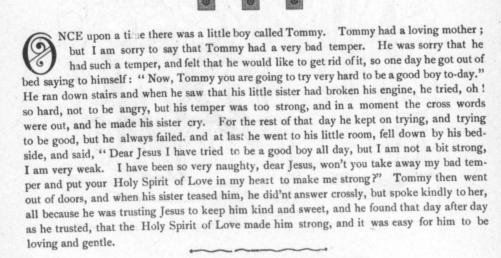
14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

15 And killed the Prince of Life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.







MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- I. Who was lying at the beautiful gate of the temple?
- 2. Who passed by?
- 3. What did Peter do for the lame man?
- 4. What is the Golden Text ?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Gh God! & thank Thee, that although & am weak, They Holy Spirit will make me strong.

LESSON V-January 31st, 1897.

The Boldness of Peter and John. Acts 4: 1-14.



GOLDEN TEXT: "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4: 12.





I And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sad'du-cees, came upon them,

2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Je'sus the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

5 And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

6 And An'nas the high priest, and Ca'iaphas, and John, and Al'ex-an'der, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Je-ru'sa-lem.

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? 8 Then Pe'ter, filled with the Holy Ghost,

8 Then Pe'ter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Is'ra-el, that by the name of Je'sus Christ of Naz'a-reth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

11 This is the stone which was set at nought of your builders, which is become the head of the corner.

12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

13 Now when they saw the boldness of Pe'ter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Je'sus.

14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

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MAN was lying in prison condemned to die, and the time was near when he was to be executed. His friends were feeling very badly about it, and tried very hard to get him a pardon. They first went to a great friend of the prisoner, who wrote a letter to the keeper of the prison, and asked him to let his friend free, but when the keeper saw the letter he said, "This man's name won't set a prisoner free." Then the prisoner's friends went to a very rich man, and got a letter from him, but the keeper said the same thing about his name. Again the prisoner went to the Governor, and got a letter from him, but the keeper said this time "There is no use bringing me a letter from any other than the Queen, her name alone can set the prisoner free." So after much trouble they got a letter from the Queen with her own name on it, and as soon as the keeper saw that, he said, "Now the prisoner can go free."

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- 1. Who healed the lame man?
- 2. By what power was he healed ?
- 3. By what power are sinful hearts made clean ?
- 4. What is the Golden Text?





MY PRAYER THIS WEEK. GR God! & tRank thee that the Holy Spirit of love, which is in my heart will set me free from sin.

LESSON VI-February 7th, 1897. True and False Giving. Acts 4: 32-5: 11. -----

GOLDEN TEXT: " Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart." I Sam. 16: 7.



believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that aught of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Je'sus: and great grace was upon them all.

34 Neither was there any among them that lacked : for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,

35 And laid them down at the apostles' feet : and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

36 And Jo'ses, who by the apostles was surnamed Bar'na-bas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Le'vite, and of the country of Cy'prus,

37 Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Ch. 5: 1 But a certain man named An'ani'as with Sap-phi'ra his wife, sold a possession,

2 And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

32 And the multitude of them that Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?

While it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power ? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

5 And An'a-ni'as hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost : and great fear came on all them that heard these things.

6 And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him.

7 And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

8 And Pe'ter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

9 Then Pe'ter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out.

10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost, and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying her forth, buried her by her husband.

11 And great fear came upon all the 3 But Pe'ter said, An'a-ni'as, why hath church, and upon as many as heard these satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy things.

VERSES THIS WEEK. MV MY HYMN THIS WEEK. MONDAY--I Kings 8: 37. TUESDAY-I Chron. 28: 9. IELD not to temptation WEDNESDAY-Psa. 7: 9. THURSDAY-Acts I: 24. For yielding is sin, FRIDAY-Jer. 17: 10. Each victory will help you SATURDAY-Jer. 20: 12. Some other to win. SABBATH-I Sam. 16: 7.

NE day Willie was watching the cook as she pared some apples to make a pie. As she took up a very nice looking one with shining cheeks, Willie said, "Oh what a pretty apple !" Cook peeled it and cut it in two, and there was a big black spot in it—a worm had eaten its way in, and made the apple that looked so pretty on the outside, black, and bad at the heart. Willie said, "Why cook that apple is not a christian." "What do you mean?" said cook. "Don't you see that it has a bad heart," was Willie's reply. "One day in Sunday school, teacher showed us a heart with black spots on it, and she told us if we were not christians, we had black spots of sin in our hearts, and that God could see the sin in our hearts just as plain as we could see the black spots on the card-board heart she showed us." Yes, Willie was right, God can see right into our hearts children. We may have nice clothes, and everything to make us look pretty on the outside, but God can see further than the outside, and unless our hearts are pure and free from spots of sin, we are not pretty in his sight. Let us ask his Holy Spirit of Love for Jesus' sake to take out these spots of sin, and make our hearts pure and good, and beautiful in his sight.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- I. Who sold their possessions and brought the money to Peter?
- 2. What sin did they commit ?
- 3. What happened to them?
- 4. What is the Golden Text?

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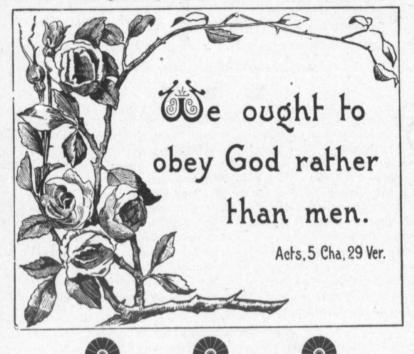
MY LESSON

MY PRAYER THIS WEEK. Gh God! & pray that when the Holy Spirit reads my heart, he may not find it false but true.

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LESSON VII—February 14th, 1897. The Prison Opened. Acts 5: 17-32.

GOLDEN TEXT: "We ought to obey God rather than men." Acts 5: 29.



17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sad'du-cees), and were filled with indignation,

18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

21 And when they heard *that*, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Is'ra-el, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told, 23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut

23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.

25 Then came one and told them, saying,

Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.

27 And when they had brought them, they set *them* before the council: and the high priest asked them,

28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Je-ru'sa-lem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

29 Then Pe'ter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. 30 The God of our fathers raised up

30 The God of our fathers raised up Je'sus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Is'ra-el, and forgiveness of sins.

32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

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MY VERSES THIS WEEK. MONDAY-Josh. 24: 24. TUESDAY-Acts 4: 19. WEDNESDAY-Jer. 42: 6. THURSDAY-Deut. 6: 23. FRIDAY--I Sam. 15: 22. SATURDAY-Jer. 7: 23. SABBATH-Acts 5: 29.

IERRE was fishing one day out of a hole in a deep pond. The pond was near the roadside, and just across was farmer Brown's orchard, and it was the time of year when the trees were loaded with apples. There was a high fence all around the orchard, so high, that the boys could not climb over it, but just over the top the fruit could be seen on the trees. Three tramps came along and tried to get through a hole that had been made in the fence, but finding the hole too small, they turned to Pierre and said, "Here you boy crawl in through this hole and get us some apples." Pierre thought a moment, and then said "No, I won't steal apples for you or anybody else." "Nonsense" cried the men, "go in and get us some of these apples or we'll duck you in the pond." Pierre saw that they meant what they said, but again he said "No." The men drew near to him, took hold of him and said, " Now look here boy, go in there and get us some apples or under the water you'll go." Pierre looked at them and said, mother says "It is wrong to steal, and God says Thou shalt not steal." But the men would not listen to him, and under the water little Pierre went. When they pulled him out they said, "Now go and get us some apples or we'll duck you under again." "No," said Pierre, and under the water again he was put. When they pulled him out again, they looked at him and saw by his face that he was determined not to do what was wrong. They left him and went their way. Brave little Pierre, God was watching him, and was pleased with his faithfulness.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- 1. What did the leaders of the Jews do to the apostles?
- 2. Who opened the prison doors and set them free?
- 3. What did the angel tell them to do?
- 4. What is the Golden Text?

MY LESSONS THIS QUARTER ARE ABOUT



MY LESSON TO-DAY IS ABOUT MAKING MAKING ME BRAVE.

MY PRAYER THIS WEEK. Gf God! & tRank the the Spirit of love makes me brave like Jesus was.

LESSON VIII—February 21st, 1897. The First Christian Martyr. Acts 6: 8-15; 7: 54-60.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2: 10.





8 And Ste'phen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

9 Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called *the synagogue* of the Lib'er-tines, and Cy-re'ni-ans, and Al'ex-an'dri-ans, and of them of Ci-li'ci-a and of A'si-a, disputing with Ste'phen.

to And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

11 Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Mo'ses, and *ogainst* God.

12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council,

13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak plasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

14 For we have heard him say, that this Je'sus of Naz'a-reth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Mo'ses delivered us.

15 And all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

Ch. 7: 54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with *their* teeth.

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Je'sus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59 And they stoned Ste'phen, calling upon *God*, and saying, Lord Je'sus, receive my spirit.

60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this he fell asleep.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK. MY HYMN THIS WEEK. -0---MONDAY-James I: 12. -0 TUESDAY-Matt. 25: 21. OLY Spirit, faithful Guide ! WEDNESDAY-Matt. 25: 23. Ever near the christian's side, THURSDAY-Luke 16: 10. FRIDAY-Dan. 6: 4. Gently lead us by the hand, SATURDAY-Prov. 28: 20. Pilgrims in a desert land : SABBATH-Rev. 2: 10.

HERE is a country far away from here called Holland. The land in this country lies very low, and in some places dykes have to be built. These dykes are made of large heaps of earth and stone, and keep the water from coming in over the land, destroying the country and drowning people. One evening a little boy going home saw a small hole in one of these dykes, and a tiny stream of water was coming through. He knew that if the hole was not stopped, the water would wash the earth away, and the hole would become larger and larger, and perhaps a lot of people might be drowned, and much harm done. Now the thing was how to get it stopped. At first he thought he would run and call some one to come and mend the hole, but then perhaps while he was gone it would get bigger and bigger, and it would be much harder to mend it, so he thought he would keep his hand over the hole until some one should come along. But the time passed and no one came. It began to get dark, and he got very tired keeping his hand over the hole, but he still kept it there. He kept watching and watching, and nobody came, and he stayed there all that night, 'till somebody came along in the morning. What a faithful boy he was.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

I. Where was Stephen taken to be stoned?

- 2. For whom did he pray as he died ?
- 3. What made Stephen so faithful?
- 4. What is the Golden Text?

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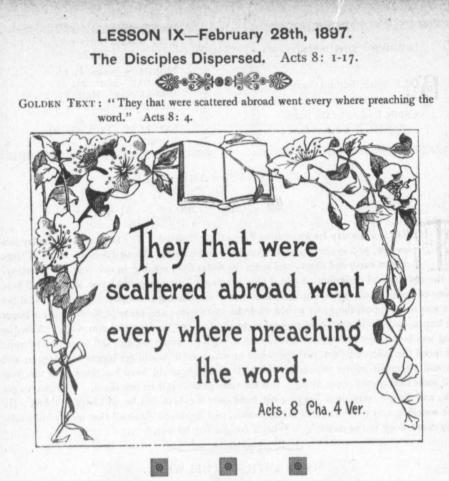




MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

GR God! Grant that the Holy Spirit of love may keep me faithful every day this week.

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I And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Je-ru'sa-lem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Ju-de'a and Sa-ma'ri-a, except the apostles.

2 And devout men carried Ste'phen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.

3 As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison.

4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word.

5 Then Phil/ip went down to the city of Sa-ma'ri-a, and preached Christ unto them.

6 And the people with one accord ave heed unto those things which Phil'ip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them : and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

city.

9 But there was a certain man, called Si'mon, which beforetime in the same city and they received the Holy Ghost.

used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Sa-ma'ri-a, giving out that himself was some great one:

10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

And to him they had regard, because . II that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

12. But when they believed Phil'ip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Je'sus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

13 Then Si'mon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Phil'ip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

14 Now when the apostles which were at Je-ru'sa-lem heard that Sa-ma'ri-a had received the word of God, they sent unto them Pe'ter and John:

15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost:

16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of 8 And there was great joy in that them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Je'sus).

17 Then laid they their hands on them,

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MY HYMN THIS WEEK.	0 Monday_Luke 9: 23.
GOLY Spirit give us	TUESDAY—I Kings 3: 11, 12. WEDNESDAY—Matt. 10: 23.
Each, a lowly mind, Make us more like Jesus,	THURSDAY—Matt. 10: 42. FRIDAY—Rom. 12: 20.
Unselfish, pure and kind.	SATURDAY—Rom. 13: 9. SABBATH—Acts 8: 4.

ARRIE was the name of a little girl whose parents were rich, and lived in a nice large house. Minnie's parents were poor and lived in an attic of a little house. "Minnie," said Carrie, " to-morrow is Christmas, and I am going to get a lot of beautiful presents. What are you going to get?" "I am afraid I am not going to get anything," said Minnie, sadly, " my father is poor and has been out of work for some time." Minnie looked very sad as she spoke. Carrie felt sorry for her, for she was an unselfish girl. and said to herself, "I know what I will do !" When Christmas Eve came Carrie got all the nice things she expected, and she was very happy. What do you suppose made her so happy, was it having the nice presents all for herself? No ! for then she would have been selfish, and no one who is selfish is really happy. Carrie thought about making somebody else happy. She did not forget about Minnie who had no presents given to her, and she picked out some of her nice things that she thought Minnie would like and asked her mother if she would allow her to take them to Minnie. Her mother was very much pleased to see that her little daughter was so thoughtful and unselfish, and gladly let her do as she wished. So Minnie put all the things in a basket, and with some candies and apples from mother on the top, started off and took them to Minnie's home. You ought to have seen Minnie! She was so happy. It was the nicest Christmas Eve she ever had ! But Carrie went home with the happiest heart.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Where did Philip go to preach the gospel ?

- 2. What wonderful things did he do there?
- 3. Amongst others, who said he believed and was baptized?
- 4. What kind of a man was he?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

OR God! may the Hoty Opirit of love make me unselfish and kind to others.

LESSON X-March 7th, 1897. The Ethiopian Convert. Acts 8: 26-40.

GOLDEN TEXT : "Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him, Jesus." Acts 8: 35.









26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto | ation? for his life is taken from the earth. Phil'ip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Je-ru'sa-lem unto Ga'za, which is desert.

27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of E'thi-o'pi-a, an eunuch of great authority under Can'da-ce, queen of the E'thi-o'pians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Je-ru'sa-lem for to worship,

28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read E-sa lias the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Phil'ip,

Go near, and join thyself to this chariot. 30 And Phil'ip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet E-sa'ias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Phil/ip that he would come up and sit with him.

32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his gener-

34 And the eunuch answered Phil'ip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Phil'ip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Je'sus.

36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

37 And Phil'ip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Je'sus Christ is the son of God.

38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Phil'ip and the eunuch: and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Phil'ip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

40 But Phil'ip was found at A-zo'tus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caes'a-re'a.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK. MY HYMN THIS WEEK. -0-0 MONDAY-Acts 18: 28. HERE are lonely hearts to cherish, TUESDAY-Eph. 4: 22. While the days are going by, WEDNESDAY-Eph. 4: 15. There are weary souls who perish, THURSDAY-Acts 18: 5. While the days are going by. If a smile we can renew As our journey we pursue, Oh! the good we all may do, While the days are going by. FRIDAY-Eph. 6: 1. SATURDAY-2 Thess. 3: 13. SABBATH-Acts 8: 35. MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

ITTLE Dora lived with her father in a lighthouse on a little rocky island away out on the ocean. Some one had to live in the lighthouse all the time, to take care of the big lamp, and keep it burning brightly for the ships out on the sea, so that in the dark night the sailors might see the way to go and keep off the rocks and dangerous places. Little Dora had no mother to take care of her. Every day she went out to play in the sand and about the rocks, and at night as soon as the sun went to bed she went with her father and watched him lighting the great lamp that shone for the sailors far out on the ocean. One day her father said, "Dora I must go away in my boat to the land to buy some things, but I will soon be back." "You can play in the sand while I am gone." Dora watched the boat till it was so far away that it looked like a little speck. After she had played about for some time it began to rain, and she went in the house. As she sat and watched by the window, she saw the water was getting very rough and was tossing about in great waves. Father was kept longer than he expected. She could see no boat coming, it was getting dark, and there was no one to light the lamp. She was a thoughtful little girl and liked to be helpful to others, so she took a match and went up the long steps that led to the big lamp, and tried to light it. But she was too small. Then she went down and got a chair and in a minute the great light was shinimg out on the stormy sea. Her father saw the light, and it guided him safely home. He was so glad to be with his brave little daughter again, and said she had helped him such a lot by lighting the big lamp.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

- I. Who sent Philip to meet the eunuch?
- 2. What was the eunuch doing when Peter met him?
- 3. How did Philip help him?
- 4. What is the Golden Text?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

OR God! & pray that the Holy Spirit of love may use my life, so that it will be helpful to others.

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LESSON XI-March 14th, 1897. Saul the Persecutor Converted. Acts 9: 1-12; 17-20.

GOLDEN TEXT: "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners." I Tim. I: 15.



I And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest.

2 And desired of him letters to Da-mas'cus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Je-ru'sa-lem.

3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damas'cus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Je'sus whom thou persecutest: *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord *said* unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

7 And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

8 And Saul arose from the earth ; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man : but they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Da-mas'cus.

9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.

IO And there was a certain disciple at Damas'cus, named An'a-ni'as; and to him said the Lord in a vision, An'a-ni'as. And he said, Behold, I *am here*, Lord.

11 And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called straight, and inquire in the house of Ju'das for one called Saul, of Tar'sus : for, behold, he prayeth.

12 And hath seen in a vision a man named An'a-ni'as coming in and putting *kis* hand on him, that he might receive his sight. * *

17 And An'a-ni'as went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Je'sus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Da-mas'cus.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK. MONDAY-Eze. 36: 26. TUESDAY-Eze. 36: 27. WEDNESDAY-Psalm 31: 10. THURSDAY-John 3: 5. FRIDAY—John 3: 16. SATURDAY—2 Cor. 5: 17. SABBATH-I Tim. I: 15.

HERE lived in the west of England a boy named Dick. One day as he was going to the well to get a bucket of water for his mother, a good old man hailed him and said "Well Dick, are you going to the well?" "Yes," he replied. "Dick, the woman of Samaria found Jesus at the well." "Did she," said Dick. "Yes, lad," the old man said. Dick had often heard of Jesus before, and sometimes had thought that he should like to love him, and be one of his followers, but he had never given his heart to Jesus. The words now spoken by the old man sank into his heart, and he thought to himself--" Well, why can't I find him too? Oh ! if I could only find him. Will he come to me?" When he got to the well he did not see Jesus sitting there, but he remembered that though he could not now see Him sitting at the well as he did when on earth, He was everywhere, and had promised to send His Holy Spirit of Love into the heart of anyone who would ask him. Then sitting on the well-side he said. " Jesus I will love you, please send the Holy Spirit of Love into my heart." Dick went home not only with his bucket filled with the water he had come to bring, but with his heart filled also with the love of Jesus.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. To what city was Paul going, when a light shined from heaven upon him ?

- Who spoke to him? 2.
- How long was he blind? 3.
- What is the Golden Text? 4.

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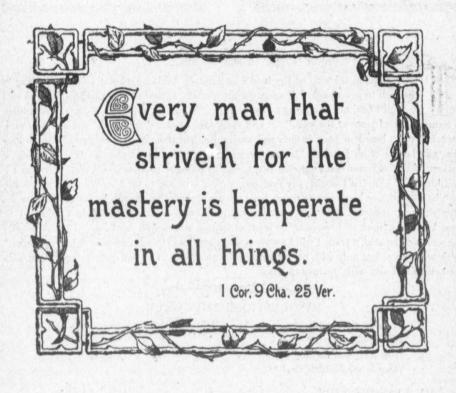
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LESSON XII—March 21st, 1897. Christian Self-Restraint. I Cor. 9: 19-27.



GOLDEN TEXT: "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." I Cor. 9: 25.



19 For though I be free from all *men*, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.

20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;

21 To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.

22 To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.

23 And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you.

24. Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

26 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK. ないないないであったいであっていいないないないない MY HYMN THIS WEEK. 0 MONDAY-James I: 2. 0 TUESDAY-1 Cor. 15: 57. O him that overcometh, WEDNESDAY-Josh. I: 9. A crown of life shall be ; THURSDAY-Prov. 24: 31, 32. FRIDAY-I Sam. 17: 47. He with the king of glory, SATURDAY-I John 5: 4. Shall reign eternally. SABBATH-I Cor. 9: 25.

鏺 88 88 OTHER, mother, do please come and help me?" So little Susie Gray called out one bright summer morning. What do you think she wanted? Do you think she was in danger? Yes, she was feeling oh so angry with her little brother, because he had broken her dolly, and she had tried not to get cross and had failed, so she called to mother to come and help her to keep her temper. Mother could not keep back Susie's angry tears, nor keep her little eyes from flashing, and when Susie found out that it was no use to ask mother to help her, she thought perhaps her big brother Jack could. But Jack could not do anything for her either, so Susie cuddled herself up in father's arms, and asked him to please keep her, for she was such a naughty little girl, and every day she felt crosser and crosser. Father told his dear little daughter that he could not keep her from getting angry, and then poor little Susie was in great trouble, for she really wanted to be a good loving little girl. Then Susie thought she would ask Jesus to help her, and all at once she seemed to hear Jesus whisper, "I cannot help you, little Susie, but I will do it all for you if you will but give me your little life." Then Susie said "Yes" to Jesus, and Jesus sent His Holy Spirit of Love into her heart, and our little friend was set free ; day after day she found it so easy to be kind and gentle to her little brother because she trusted Jesus to keep her so, instead of trying to make herself good as she used to do. Trust firsttry after you trust.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. How can I make my body strong if I want to run in a race?

- 2. Why should I want my body to be strong and pure?
- 3. What is the best kind of a crown to strive for?
- 4. What is the Golden Text ?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Of God! may the Holy Spirit of Dove give me victory over all sin.



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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Gh God! I thank Thee for all that I have learned about the Holy Spirit of Dove. I will take Him into my heart and do what He bids me.