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THE HOUSEHOLD KING.

No letter does he know in all
The lengthy alphabet ;
The simplest word one ever heard
Remains a mystery yet.
One single step he cannot take,
Nor can he even stand ;
He cannot write, the dainty mite,
Or use his dainty hand.

His daily round of baby life
Is made of curious things—
To laugh and creep and play bo-peep
Untiring pleasure brings,
Until with unrelenting hand
The sand-man claims his eyes,
And then to sing this baby king
Asleep with lullabies.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON 3.] THE GENTILE WOMAN'S FAITH. [JULY 15.

Mark 7. 24-30.

GOLDEN TEXT—Lord, help me.—Matt. 15. 25.

MEMORY VERSES, 27-30.—But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs.

And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

We find Jesus travelling in the country called Phœnicia. The people living here were Gentiles. The Jews called them heathen and despised them, Jesus did not despise any one. He loved all, for he came to save and bless all. The woman who came to get Jesus to help her daughter was a Syrian woman. No doubt she wore a dress of very bright colours, and spoke in an eager tone, for she was in great trouble. She had a dear child whom she loved, and who was possessed by an evil spirit. Perhaps she had heard of the wonderful things Jesus had done, and she hoped he would cure her poor daughter. The disciples wanted him to send her away. He was tired and needed to rest, but that did not stop him. He must do his Father's work, and so he gave comfort to the mother and her child. Perhaps you will wonder why he was so slow to answer the poor woman. Do not forget that now, as then, Jesus wants to see that we are in earnest when we come to him.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

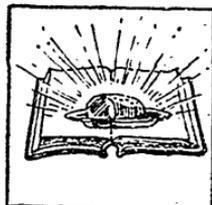
1. Where was Jesus now?
In Phœnicia.
2. Who were the people there?
Gentiles.

3. Who came to Jesus for help?
A Syrian woman.
4. What made her sad?
Her little girl had an evil spirit.
5. What did she want Jesus to do?
Cast it out.
6. What did Jesus tell her?
That he was sent to help the Jews.
7. What did she say?
“Lord, help me.”
8. What made Jesus glad?
To see such faith.
9. What did he do for her?
He healed her child.
10. What does this teach us?
To pray and believe.



He who heard a mother's cry,
Stooped to bid her sorrows cease,
He will never pass thee by,
He will bring thee life and peace.

He who fed the multitude
When they came to hear his word,
He will give thee heavenly food,
He will be thy living Lord.



TWO WAYS OF MEASURING.

We can measure ourselves with the boy or girl next below us, and we shall lose by it; or we can measure ourselves by the boy or girl next above us, and that means we shall look ahead instead of backward, and so gain by it.

The school of Jehovah has some hard lessons for us; but God's love, and not his anger, is why we are sent there.



WRITING A LETTER.

This little brother and sister have "put their heads together" and are trying to write a letter to their dear mamma. They are out in the country spending their holidays and having a lovely time. But that does not cause them to forget those at home in the hot, dusty city. I wonder what they are going to say in the letter! They have many things to say, I am very sure, but they look a little puzzled as to what to say first.



A TIMELY EPIC.

How dear to our hearts is the old yellow pumpkin, when orchards are barren of stuffing for pies; when peaches and apples have both been a failure, and berries of no kind have greeted our eyes. How fondly we turn to the fruit of the cornfield—the fruit that our children are taught to despise—the old yellow pumpkin, the mud-coloured pumpkin, the big-swelling pumpkin that makes such nice pies.