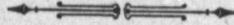


# SESSION PROGRAMME

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## Primary Department.



I. SILENCE.

II. THREE BELL TAPS AND VERSE—

“The bell has struck its one, two, three—  
‘Be still’ is what it says to me,  
For this is God’s most holy day,  
And I am here to learn His way—  
So now I’ll drop my play and seek,  
To hear the words that He may speak.”

III. HYMN.

IV. PRAYER. (After preparation for prayer, given sentence by sentence by Superintendent, and repeated by scholars.)

PREPARATION FOR PRAYER.

“To say my prayers is not to pray,  
Unless I mean the words I say;  
Unless I think to whom I speak,  
And with my heart His favour seek.

Then let me when I try to pray,  
Not only mind the words I say,  
But let me try with watchful care,  
To have my heart go with my prayer.

Before my words of prayer are said,  
I close my eyes and bow my head;  
I’ll try to think to Whom I pray,  
And try to mean the words I say.”

PRAYER.

“As we come together now,  
We close our eyes, our heads we bow,  
We fold our hands, and pray Thee, Lord,  
To teach us from Thy holy Word;  
To be among us while we stay,  
To guard and guide us every day,  
And bring us home at last to Thee,  
And let our eyes Thy beauty see.” *Child’s Songs.*



V. RESPONSES.

RESPONSIVE SELECTION.

Teacher.—This is the day that the Lord hath made ;  
 Class.—We will rejoice, and be glad in it.  
 Teacher.—Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy ;  
 Class.—Verily My Sabbaths ye shall keep.  
 Teacher.—Six days thou shalt labor and do all thy work,  
 Class.—But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God.

VI. INTIMATIONS.

VII. BIRTHDAY OFFERING—(With birthday prayer.)

BIRTHDAY PRAYER.

God in heaven our loving Father,  
 ———long years by night and day  
 Hast watched o'er our friend  
 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.

VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON.

IX. MOTION EXERCISE.

X. RECITATION—(23rd Psalm, Beatitudes, etc.)

XI. COLLECTION—(Marching, singing, and dropping money in basket.)

XII. COLLECTION PRAYER.

XIII. LESSON TAUGHT (AND ROLL TAKEN) BY TEACHERS,

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

XV. HYMN.

XVI. LESSON REVIEW AND APPLICATION, by Superintendent.

XVII. PRAYER.

XVIII. GOOD-BYE SONG.

GOOD-BYE SONG.

Our Sunday-school is over, and we are going home ;  
 Good-bye, good-bye ; be always kind and true.  
 Good-bye, good-bye ; be always kind and true.

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

XX. DISMISSION.





Dear Children,

Last Quarter we learned about David "the shepherd-king," and this Quarter we are to learn about Solomon his son.

He, too, was a great king, and the Bible tells us that he was wiser than all men. He wrote many wise things, some of which we are to learn about.

He often began his wise sayings with the words "My son." Let us call each lesson "a letter from the wisest man, king Solomon."

In the

First	Letter	Solomon	says—	Walk in God's ways.
Second	"	"	"	Choose wisdom.
Third	"	"	"	Honour God.
Fourth	"	"	"	Yield not to temptation.
Fifth	"	"	"	Build as God directs.
Sixth	"	"	"	Let God own the temple.
Seventh	"	"	"	Seek God's blessing.
Eighth	"	"	"	Let God guide you.
Ninth	"	"	"	Seek a greater than Solomon.
Tenth	"	"	"	Take heed lest ye fall.
Eleventh	"	"	"	Be temperate.
Twelfth	"	"	"	Make others happy.

Our Golden Text for the Quarter is "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man."

Let us all try to do what this wise king tells us.

Your loving friends,

MR. & MRS. G. H. ARCHIBALD.

LESSON I—October 4th, 1896.

Solomon Anointed King. I KINGS I: 28-39.



GOLDEN TEXT: "Keep the charge of the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways." I Kings 2: 3.



28 Then king Da'vid answered and said, Call me Bath-she'ba. And she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

29 And the king sware, and said, As the Lord liveth, that hath redeemed my soul out of all distress,

30 Even as I sware unto thee by the Lord God of Is'ra-el, saying, Assuredly Sol'o-mon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day.

31 Then Bath-she'ba bowed with *her* face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and said, Let my lord king Da'vid live forever.

32 And king Da'vid said, Call me Za'dok the priest, and Na'than the prophet, and Be-na'iah the son of Je-hoi'a-da. And they came before the king.

33 The king also said unto them, Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Sol'o-mon my son to ride upon mine own mule, and bring him down to Gi'hon:

34 And let Za'dok the priest and Na'than

the prophet anoint him there king over Is'ra-el: and blow ye with the trumpet, and say, God save king Sol'o-mon.

35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Is'ra-el and over Ju'dah.

36 And Be-na'iah the son of Je-hoi'a-da answered the king, and said, Amen: the Lord God of my lord the king say so *too*.

37 As the Lord hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with Sol'o-mon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king Da'vid.

38 So Za'dok the priest, and Na'than the prophet, and Be-na'iah the son of Je-hoi'a-da, and the Cher'e-thites, and the Pel'e-thites, went down, and caused Sol'o-mon to ride upon king Da'vid's mule, and brought him to Gi'hon.

39 And Za'dok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle, and anointed Sol'o-mon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, God save king Sol'o-mon.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

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**W**E are Thine: do Thou befriend us,  
 Be the Guardian of our way;  
 Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,  
 Seek us when we go astray.

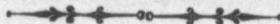
MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

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 MONDAY—I Kings 1: 39.  
 TUESDAY—I Sam. 10: 24.  
 WEDNESDAY—2 Kings 11: 12.  
 THURSDAY—Ps. 25: 4.  
 FRIDAY—Ps. 25: 10.  
 SATURDAY—Ps. 37: 34.  
 SABBATH—I Kings 28: 39.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**L**AST Quarter's lessons, which we all enjoyed so much, were about David, "the shepherd king." This Quarter they are about Solomon, David's son. In to-day's lesson we get another peep at our old friend "the shepherd king." He was very old at this time and was soon going to die. He wished to make his son Solomon king, so called for his wife Bath-sheba and told her that her son Solomon should reign after him. Then he told her to call Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, the captain of the body-guard. When they had come before David he told them to go with the royal body-guard and take Solomon, who was to ride on his mule to Gihon. David also said, when there Zadok and Nathan were to anoint him king over Israel, and blow with a trumpet and say "God save king Solomon!" They did as David commanded them, and when they blew the trumpet all the people said "God save king Solomon!" After that Solomon, the new king, was brought to the palace at Jerusalem. There he reigned six months with David his father, and after David's death took his place on the throne.



MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. About whom were our lessons last Quarter?
2. Who are they about this Quarter?
3. What was David's wish about Solomon?
4. When Solomon was made king, what did all the people say?

MY STORIES THIS  
 QUARTER ARE ABOUT



THE WISEST MAN



HE SAYS



MY LETTER  
 THIS WEEK SAYS TO ME



MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

©R God! guide me in the right way and keep me in it.

LESSON II—October 11th, 1896.

Solomon's Wise Choice. I KINGS 3: 5-15.



GOLDEN TEXT: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Psalm 111: 10.



5 In Gib'e-on the Lord appeared to Sol'o-mon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

6 And Sol'o-mon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant Da'vid my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* this day.

7 And now, O Lord my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of Da'vid my father; and I am *but* a little child: I know not *how* to go out or come in.

8 And thy servant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.

9 Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Sol'o-mon had asked this thing.

11 And God said unto him, Because

thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment:

12 Behold, I have done according to thy word: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honor so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.

14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father Da'vid did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.

15 And Sol'o-mon awoke; and, behold, *it* was a dream. And he came to Je-ru'sa-lem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

EARLY let us seek Thy favour,  
Early let us do Thy will;  
Blessed Lord and only Saviour,  
With Thy love our bosom fill.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Job 28: 28.  
TUESDAY—Prov. 8: 11.  
WEDNESDAY Prov. 4: 5.  
THURSDAY—Prov. 4: 7.  
FRIDAY—Prov. 3: 13.  
SATURDAY—Prov. 24: 5.  
SABBATH—Ps. 111: 10.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

**S**OLOMON, the new king, was the wisest man who ever lived. What made him so wise? We shall see. Soon after he became king Solomon made a great feast at Gibeon and invited all the people to it, for he wanted to show them that he was going to serve God as David his father had done. There God spoke to him in a dream and asked him what he would give him. Solomon might have asked God for riches, or honor, or something else all for himself, but he showed a humble spirit and told God that although he had made him king in the place of his father David, he was but a little child and did not know how to rule over such a lot of people, and asked God to give him an understanding heart to do this. Solomon chose the best of all gifts—a wise heart, wisdom. His choice pleased God and God said to him "Because thou hast asked this thing and hast not asked for thyself long life, neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thy enemies: I have given thee an understanding heart, so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee." God told him that he had also given him what he had not asked, both riches and honor, and promised to give him long life too if he would love and obey him as David his father had done. Solomon awoke, but all these things he had dreamed about came to pass. Soon after this he went home to Jerusalem, sacrificed to God, and made a great feast to all his servants.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. What did Solomon do soon after he became king?
2. What did God ask Solomon when he spoke to him in a dream?
3. What did Solomon choose?
4. How did God show he was pleased with Solomon's choice?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

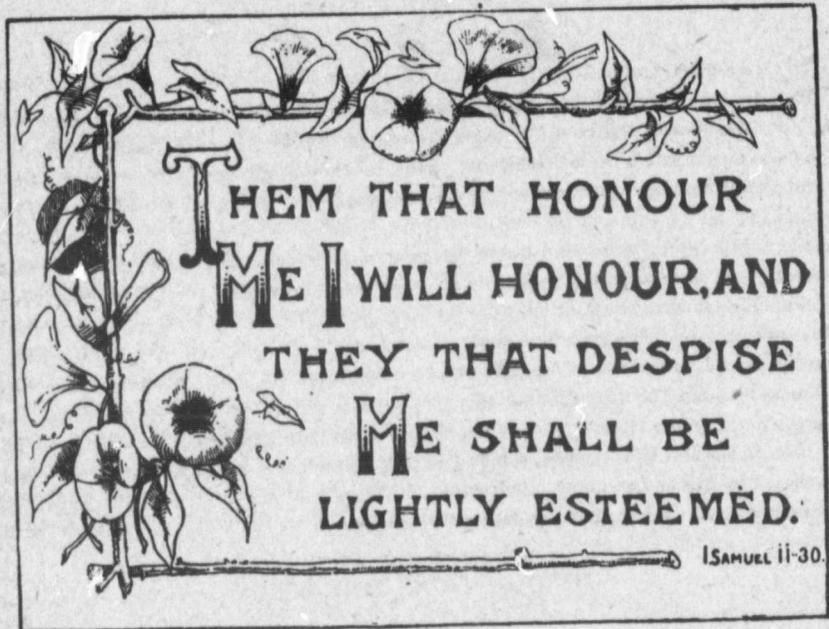
Oh God! make my heart willing to choose Jesus, the best of all gifts.

LESSON III—October 18th, 1896.

Solomon's Wealth and Wisdom. I KINGS 4: 25-34.



GOLDEN TEXT: "Them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." I Sam. 2: 30.



25 And Ju'dah and Is'ra-el dwelt safely, every man under his vine and under his fig tree, from Dan even to Be-er'she-ba, all the days of Sol'o-mon.

26 And Sol'o-mon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen.

27 And those officers provided victual for king Sol'o-mon, and for all that came unto king Sol'o-mon's table, every man in his month: they lacked nothing.

28 Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries brought they unto the place where the officers were, every man according to his charge.

29 And God gave Sol'o-mon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore.

30 And Sol'o-mon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of E'gypt.

31 For he was wiser than all men; than E'than the Ez'ra-hite, and He'man, and Chal'col, and Dar'da, the sons of Ma'hol: and his fame was in all nations round about.

32 And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a thousand and five.

33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that is in Leb'a-non even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

34 And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Sol'o-mon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

ALL hail the power of Jesu's name;  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
And crown him Lord of all.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

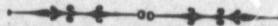
MONDAY—Ps. 18: 20.  
TUESDAY—Ps. 91: 15.  
WEDNESDAY—Prov. 3: 2.  
THURSDAY—Prov. 3: 35.  
FRIDAY—Prov. 3: 32.  
SATURDAY—Eccl. 2: 9.  
SABBATH—I Sam. 2: 20.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



IN to-day's lesson some of the things that God told Solomon about have come to pass. Peace was now in the land. The people were no longer obliged to live in fortified cities, for the enemies had been driven out and now they dwelt safely all over the country. They had their own homes and gardens, and cultivated the land and got plenty of food for their cattle.

God was true to his word; he made Solomon a great king, and gave him much wealth. He was king over all the land; he had much gold and silver, and very many servants, and horses, and chariots, and beautiful cities and buildings. His own palace took thirteen years to build, and was of polished marble overlaid with cedar. He planted trees of all kinds, and had vineyards, and gardens, and orchards, and so much and so many beautiful things that it would take a long time to tell all about them. God also gave Solomon the wise heart that he asked him for. He made him very wise, much wiser than any one else who lived in the world. He said many wise things, which are called proverbs. He spoke of trees and all kinds of animals, and many, many other things. Kings and people far and near heard about him, and came to see and hear this great and wise king.



MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Were there any enemies in the land when Solomon became king?
2. About what two things beginning with "W" that God gave Solomon do we learn to-day?
3. What do we call some of the wise things that Solomon wrote?
4. How wise was Solomon?

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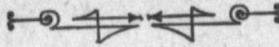


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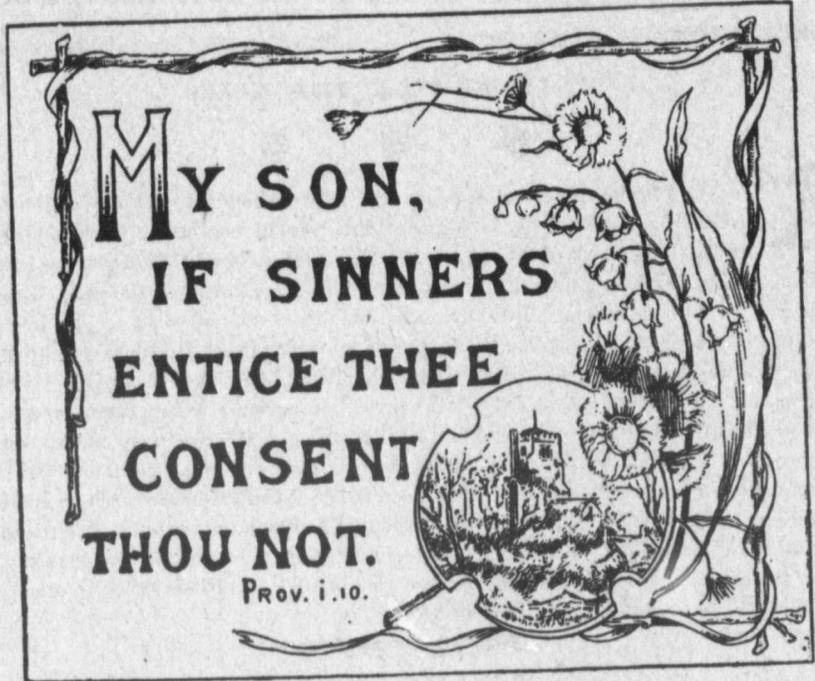
O God! I joyfully take whatever you send, for you know what is best for me.

LESSON IV—October 25th, 1896.

The Proverbs of Solomon. PROV. I: 1-19.



GOLDEN TEXT: "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not." Prov. I: 10.



1 The proverbs of Sol'o-mon the son of Da'vid, king of Is'ra-el;

2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels;

6 To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

9 For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

11 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:

12 Let us swallow them up alive, as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:

13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:

14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

16 For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.

17 Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird:

18 And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives.

19 So are the ways of everyone that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

**Y**IELD not to temptation,  
 For yielding is sin;  
 Each vict'ry will help you  
 Some other to win;  
 Fight manfully onward,  
 Dark passions subdue,  
 Look ever to Jesus,  
 He'll carry you through.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Prov. 1: 8.  
 TUESDAY—Prov. 4: 14.  
 WEDNESDAY—Prov. 1: 15.  
 THURSDAY—4: 25.  
 FRIDAY—Prov. 13: 20.  
 SATURDAY—Prov. 19: 27.  
 SABBATH—Prov. 1: 10.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**W**E are told in the Bible that Solomon spoke three thousand proverbs and his songs were a thousand and five. Many of these are in one of the books of the Bible called "the Book of Proverbs." These proverbs are wise sayings of the wise king Solomon. Why did Solomon write all those wise things? It was to make people—to make us—wise. To show us how we should live, what we should do, and what we should not do: so that we may keep out of nets that Satan spreads to catch us in. He spreads many of these nets and is always trying to get us to do wrong. Sometimes he makes wrong things look nice and tempting and seem almost as if they were right, but we must be very careful and wise, as Solomon tells us, to know what is right and what is wrong, so that we may not be caught in Satan's nets. We must not do wrong, although it seems very nice; must not yield to the temptation of Satan—the evil one. Our good fathers and mothers are much wiser than we are, and know the ways of Satan better than we do, so Solomon tells us to listen to the instruction—the wise teachings of father, and not forget or neglect to do the good things that mother teaches us. This wisdom is better than gold or silver, and shall be as an ornament of grace unto our heads and chains about our neck.

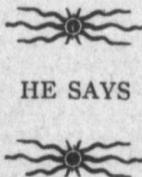
MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Why did Solomon write so many wise things?
2. Is Satan our friend?
3. Why is he not?
4. To whom does Solomon say we should listen?

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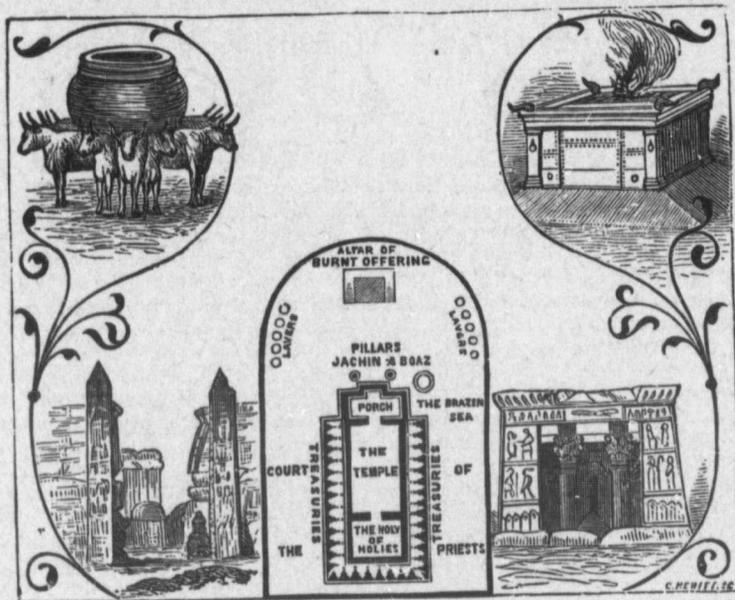
©R God! lead me not into temptation, but deliver me from  
 the evil one.

## LESSON V—November 1st, 1896.

### Building the Temple. I KINGS 5: 1-12.



GOLDEN TEXT: "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it."  
Psalm 127: 1.



1 And Hi'ram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Sol'o-mon; for he had heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father; for Hi'ram was ever a lover of Da'vid.

2 And Sol'o-mon sent to Hi'ram, saying,

3 Thou knowest how that Da'vid my father could not build an house unto the name of the Lord his God, for the wars which were about him on every side, until the Lord put them under the soles of his feet.

4 But now the Lord my God hath given me rest on every side, so that there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent.

5 And, behold, I purpose to build a house unto the name of the Lord my God, as the Lord spake unto Da'vid my father, saying, Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build a house unto my name.

6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me cedar trees out of Leb'a-non; and my servants shall be with thy servants: and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants, according to all that thou shalt appoint: for thou knowest that there is not among us any that can skill to hew timber like unto the Sidonians.

7 And it came to pass, when Hi'ram heard the words of Sol'o-mon, that he rejoiced greatly, and said, Blessed be the Lord this day, which hath given unto Da'vid a wise son over this great people.

8 And Hi'ram sent to Sol'o-mon, saying, I have considered the things which thou sentest to me for: and I will do all thy desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of fir.

9 My servants shall bring them down from Leb'a-non unto the sea; and I will convey them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt appoint me, and will cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt receive them: and thou shalt accomplish my desire in giving food for my household.

10 So Hi'ram gave Sol'o-mon cedar trees and fir trees, according to all his desire.

11 And Sol'o-mon gave Hi'ram twenty thousand measures of wheat for food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Sol'o-mon to Hi'ram year by year.

12 And the Lord gave Sol'o-mon wisdom, as he promised him: and there was peace between Hi'ram and Sol'o-mon; and they two made a league together.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

—○—  
**W**E are all little builders,  
 We're building here to-day;  
 We're building living temples,  
 Not those of wood or clay.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

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 MONDAY—I Chr. 22: 11.  
 TUESDAY—Eccl. 3: 3.  
 WEDNESDAY—Zech. 6: 12.  
 THURSDAY—Eph. 2: 20.  
 FRIDAY—Jude 20.  
 SATURDAY—I Cor. 3: 11.  
 SABBATH—Ps. 127: 1.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**L**AST Quarter we learned that king David wanted to build a house for God—a temple, or building for the people to worship God in, something like our churches, only very much more beautiful. We remember that God told David that he could not build it, but that Solomon his son should build it. So now Solomon, the great king, with peace and plenty all around, remembered David his father's words, and set to work to build the temple. Most of the things for the temple were made ready by David; much stone was used, but Solomon wanted some wood for beams and the inner walls. The great cedar beams could not be got nearer than from Mount Lebanon away in the north. So Solomon sent to Hiram, king of Tyre, who lived in that part of the country, and asked him if he would send him some cedar and fir trees. Hiram, who had been a great friend of David, was very glad to do anything for David's son Solomon. So when he got Solomon's message he told his servants to go and cut down the trees, and he sent them to Solomon. It took seven years and a half to build the temple. It was built in sacred silence. Stones and beams and everything had been made ready beforehand, and then carried to its place, "so that there was neither hammer, nor axe, nor any tool of iron heard in the house while it was in building," as God had commanded. The temple building was divided into three parts, the porch, the holy place, and the holy of holies, and besides had chambers of three stories on three sides. Outside were two courts, the outer and the inner. The outer court was ornamented with trees and was free to all the people, and there they worshipped God. The inner court was smaller and was for the priests. Very much gold and silver, and precious stones, besides many kinds of wood (beautifully carved), brass, iron, and stone were used in building it, and it was indeed a magnificent building.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

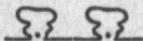
1. What did Solomon ask king Hiram to do?
2. Where did Hiram live?
3. How long did it take to build the temple?
4. What were some of the things used to build it?

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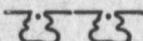


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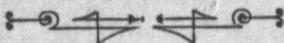


MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

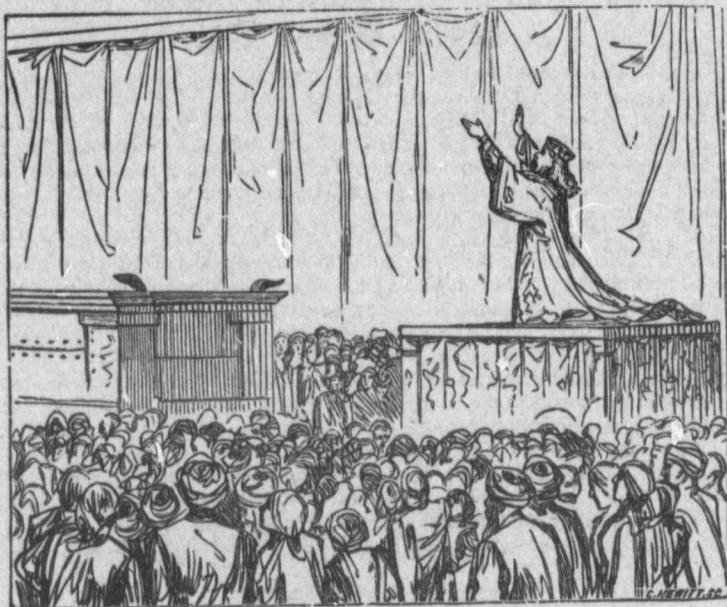
Oh God! show me how to make my body strong, and my heart wise and lovable.

LESSON VI—November 8th, 1896.

The Temple Dedicated. I KINGS 8: 54-63,



GOLDEN TEXT: "The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him." Hab. 2:20.



54 And it was so, that when Sol'o-mon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication unto the Lord, he arose from before the altar of the Lord, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.

55 And he stood, and blessed all the congregation of Is'ra-el with a loud voice, saying,

56 Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest unto his people Is'ra-el, according to all that he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Mo'ses his servant.

57 The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us;

58 That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

59 And let these my words, wherewith I

have made supplication before the Lord, be nigh unto the Lord our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people is'ra-el at all times, as the matter shall require;

60 That all the people of the earth may know that the Lord is God, and that there is none else.

61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the Lord our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

62 And the king, and all Is'ra-el with him, offered sacrifice before the Lord.

63 And Sol'o-mon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he offered unto the Lord, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the children of Is'ra-el dedicated the house of the Lord.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

NOT that I have my own I call,  
I hold it for the Giver;  
My heart, my strength, my life, my all,  
Are His, and His forever.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Ps. 11: 4.  
TUESDAY—Zeph. 1: 7.  
WEDNESDAY—Zech. 2: 13.  
THURSDAY—Ps. 37: 5.  
FRIDAY—Ps. 61: 4.  
SATURDAY—Is. 65: 4.  
SABBATH—Hab. 2: 20.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

**S**OLOMON'S temple was now completed and stood in all its magnificence and beauty on Mount Moriah, high above the city of Jerusalem. Solomon had built the temple for God and now he wanted to dedicate it to him, to set it apart for his worship. So he called all the people together, and with a grand procession of musicians and singers, the Levites brought the old tabernacle, the brazen altar, the table of shew-bread, the candlestick and the brazen serpent from Gibeon, and the ark from Zion, and put them in their places in the temple. After Solomon had prayed a long time to God, he arose from before the altar and blessed the people. It was a time of great feasting and rejoicing, for the temple, so many years in building, was now given to God. The people therefore brought sheep and oxen to be offered up in sacrifice. Twenty-two thousand oxen and one hundred and twenty thousand sheep, more than a boy or girl could count if they did nothing else all day. For fourteen days this great feast lasted. A shining cloud filled the temple and became brighter and still brighter, and it even came to pass as the trumpeters and singers raised one great shout of praise to the Lord, and when they lifted up their voices with the trumpets, and cymbals, and instruments of music, then the house was filled with the dazzling brightness. This was a sign that God had accepted the people's gift. Our hearts are God's temple and he wants them for his own. He will accept our hearts if we give them to him, and will come and live with us.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Where did the temple stand?
2. When the temple was finished, why did Solomon make a feast and call the people together?
3. What filled the temple?
4. What sign was that?

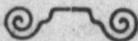
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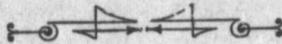


MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Oh God! make my body a fit temple for Thy Holy Spirit.

LESSON VII—November 15th, 1896.

God's Blessing upon Solomon. I KINGS 9: 1-9.



GOLDEN TEXT: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it. Prov. 10: 22.



1 And it came to pass, when Sol'o-mon had finished the building of the house of the Lord, and the king's house, and all Sol'o-mon's desire which he was pleased to do,

2 That the Lord appeared to Sol'o-mon the second time, as he had appeared unto him at Gib'e-on.

3 And the Lord said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

4 And if thou wilt walk before me, as Da'vid thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:

5 Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Is'ra-el for ever, as I promised to Da'vid thy father, saying,

There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Is'ra-el.

6 But if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them;

7 Then will I cut off Is'ra-el out of the land which I have given them: and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Is'ra-el shall be a proverb and a byword among all people:

8 And at this house, which is high, every one that passeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss: and they shall say, Why hath the Lord done thus unto this land, and to this house?

9 And they shall answer, Because they forsook the Lord their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of E'gypt, and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath the Lord brought upon them all this evil.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

SAVIOUR bless a little child;  
Teach my heart the way to Thee,  
Make it gentle good and mild,  
Loving Saviour bless thou me.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Gen. 26: 12.  
TUESDAY—Ps. 37: 22.  
WEDNESDAY—Prov. 3: 33.  
THURSDAY—Ps. 1: 3.  
FRIDAY—Ps. 128: 5.  
SATURDAY—Gen. 24: 35.  
SABBATH—Prov. 10: 22.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**S**OLOMON had now been king for twenty-four years. After building the temple he had built his own beautiful palace, besides many other smaller buildings. Everything around him now was beautiful. He was in all his glory, was very rich and had everything his heart could wish. At this time God appeared to him again in a dream as he had before at Gibeon. He told him that he had heard the prayer that he had made to him, and that he had come into the temple that he had set apart for his worship, and would lovingly watch over it. He also told Solomon that if he would walk before him as David his father had done, and would obey his commands, that he would be with him and bless him and his kingdom; but if he would turn away from him and not obey his commands, and go and serve other gods and worship them, then he would cut off Israel out of the land which he had given them, and the beautiful temple which he had accepted as his own, should be destroyed.



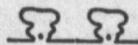
MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. How long had Solomon been king at the time of our lesson?
2. What were some of the buildings erected by Solomon?
3. What took place at Gibeon?
4. What did God say to Solomon?

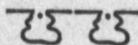
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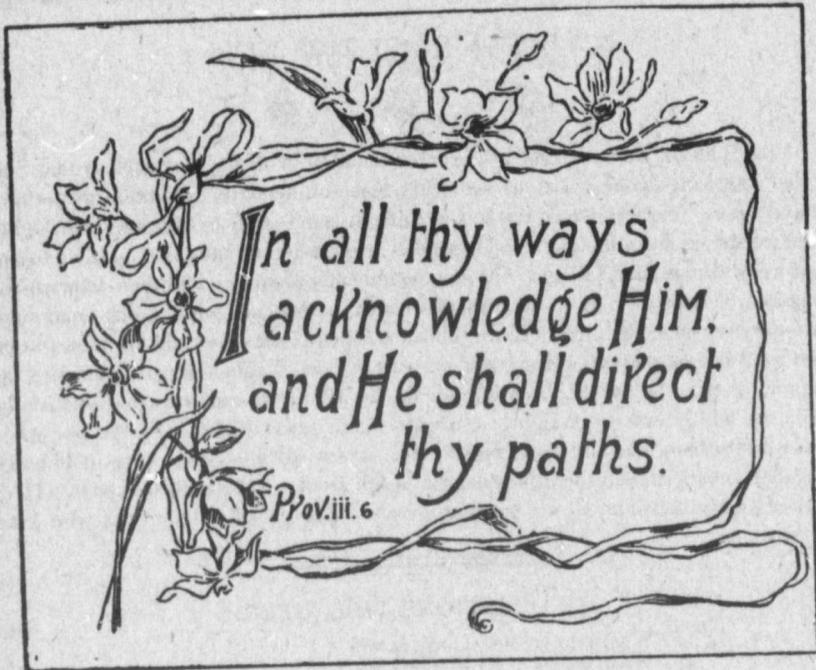
Oh God! Bless me and keep me close to Thee.

LESSON VIII—November 22nd, 1896.

Rewards of Obedience. PROV. 3: 1-17.



GOLDEN TEXT: "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3: 6.



- 1 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:
- 2 For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.
- 3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee; bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:
- 4 So shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man.
- 5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
- 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
- 7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.
- 8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.
- 9 Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase:

- 10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst with new wine.
- 11 My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction:
- 12 For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth, even as father the son *in whom* he delighteth.
- 13 Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* getteth understanding:
- 14 For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
- 15 She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
- 16 Length of days *is* in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honor.
- 17 Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

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 † WOULD never go astray,  
 † Never from Thee turn aside,  
 Keep me in the heavenly way,  
 Loving Saviour be my guide.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

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 MONDAY—Prov. 3: 1.  
 TUESDAY—1 Sam. 15: 22.  
 WEDNESDAY—Deut. 5: 33.  
 THURSDAY—Matt. 11: 29.  
 FRIDAY—Prov. 16: 7.  
 SATURDAY—Ps. 37: 5.  
 SABBATH—Prov. 3: 6.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**I**N to-day's lesson we have some of the most beautiful of all the wise sayings that Solomon the wise king spoke. Let us see what some of them are. He tells us not to forget God's law. We find God's law in the Bible, it is our guide to keep us in the right way; therefore we should study it, love it, and use it to guide us in our daily lives. If we follow this guide, if we with our heart's obey God's commandments, then, the wise man tells us, we will live long and be happy. Again he tells us to trust in the Lord with all our heart and lean not unto our own understanding. If we think too much of ourselves and are wise in our own eyes, we shall not get on very well; but if we trust in God, that is if we give ourselves into his keeping and do what he tells us, he will guide us, he will direct our paths, and then, following our guide, we will be sure to go right. Solomon again says: "Happy is the one who finds wisdom, who trusts in God and obeys him." He says wisdom is better than gold and more precious than rubies, and all the things we can desire are not to be compared to it. Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace. Let us all listen to the wise king and get this wisdom.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Where do we find God's law?
2. What should it be to us?
3. How should we treat this guide?
4. What does Solomon say is better than gold?

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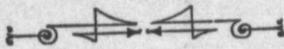


MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Oh God! be Thou my guide, and make me willing to do what is most pleasing to Thee.

LESSON IX—November 29th, 1896.

The Fame of Solomon. I KINGS 10 : 1-10.



GOLDEN TEXT : "Behold, a greater than Solomon is here." Matt. 12 : 42.



1 And when the queen of She'ba heard of the fame of Sol'o-mon, concerning the name of the Lord, she came to prove him with hard questions.

2 And she came to Je-ru'sa-lem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Sol'o-mon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

3 And Sol'o-mon told her all her questions: there was not *any* thing hid from the king, which he told her not.

4 And when the queen of She'ba had seen all Sol'o-mon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,

5 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the Lord; there was no more spirit in her.

6 And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom.

7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it*; and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8 Happy *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, *and* that hear thy wisdom.

9 Blessed be the Lord thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Is'ra-el: because the Lord loved Is'ra-el for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.

10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of She'ba gave to king Sol'o-mon.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

OH, that with yonder sacred throng,  
We at His feet may fall;  
We'll join the everlasting song,  
And crown Him Lord of all.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Eccl. 12: 1.  
TUESDAY—Ps. 92: 8.  
WEDNESDAY—Heb. 19: 16.  
THURSDAY—Ps. 10: 16.  
FRIDAY—Eph. 3: 20.  
SATURDAY—Luke 11: 31.  
SABBATH—Matt. 12: 42.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

PEOPLE in countries far away from Palestine heard about the great king Solomon, and our lesson story to-day is about one of these. The Queen of Sheba, who lived away down in Arabia, a long way from Jerusalem, had heard about this wonderful king and all his wisdom and magnificence, and wanted to see for herself if all was true. So, with a train of servants and many camels laden with spices, and very much gold and precious stones, she left her home, and after a long and tiresome journey through the wilderness, came to Jerusalem. Solomon was very kind to her and answered all the questions she asked him, and showed her his fine buildings, the temple, and his own beautiful palace, and all the others. He showed her, too, the nice kind of food he had to eat and drink, and showed her his servants, and cupbearers, and their costly clothes and many, many more beautiful things. Then the queen said to Solomon: "In mine own land I heard a lot about all your greatness, and I would not believe it until I came and saw it with mine own eyes; but the half was not told me of all your wisdom and prosperity. How happy your servants must be to have such a wise master." Solomon must have told the queen that all this wisdom and greatness had been given to him by God, for she said, "Blessed be the Lord thy God who gave his people such a wise and good king. The queen gave Solomon lots of presents, gold and spices, and precious stones that she had brought from her own country; and Solomon gave her everything that she wanted that she saw in his kingdom." Then she went home.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. What queen are we learning about in to-day's lesson?
2. Where did she live?
3. What did she do after she heard about Solomon?
4. What did she say?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

OR God! grant that my heart may know and love Jesus the King of Kings.

LESSON X—December 6th, 1896.

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



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



4 For it came to pass, when Sol'o-mon 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.

5 For Sol'o-mon went after Ash'to-reth, the goddess of the Zi-do'ni-ans, and after Mil'-com the abomination of the Am'mon-ites.

6 And Sol'o-mon did evil in the sight of Lord, and went not fully after the Lord, as *did* Da'vid his father.

7 Then did Sol'o-mon build an high place for Che'mosh, the abomination of Mo'ab, in the hill that *is* before Je-ru'sa-lem; and for Mo'lech, the abomination of the children of Am'mon.

8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

9 And the Lord was angry with Sol'-

o-mon, because his heart was turned from the Lord God of Is'ra-el, which had appeared unto him twice,

10 And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the Lord commanded.

11 Wherefore the Lord said unto Sol'o-mon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.

12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for Da'vid thy father's sake: *but* I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.

13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; *but* will give one tribe to thy son for Da'vid my servant's sake, and for Je-ru'sa-lem's sake, which I have chosen.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

**H**OLD Thou my hand! and closer,  
 closer draw me  
 To Thy dear self—my hope, my  
 joy, my all;  
 Hold Thou my hand, lest haply I  
 should wander;  
 And, missing Thee, my trembling feet  
 should fall.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Prov. 4: 26.  
 TUESDAY—Prov. 3: 26.  
 WEDNESDAY—Prov. 8: 34.  
 THURSDAY—Prov. 18: 20.  
 FRIDAY—Prov. 4: 23.  
 SATURDAY—Heb. 4: 15.  
 SABBATH—I Cor. 10: 12.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

**S**OME time ago we learned that God spoke to Solomon in a dream and told him that if he would follow and obey him he would be with him and bless him and his kingdom; but if he forgot him, and worshipped other gods, he would destroy his kingdom. For a time Solomon remembered these words, and all went on well. But after a while, although God was still giving him everything his heart could wish, Solomon forgot God. He did not walk in the ways of David his father; he did not obey God, but disobeyed him, and married many heathen wives, who worshipped false gods. Solomon, too, worshipped these gods and made temples for them. Then God was angry with Solomon and told him that as he had said when he spoke to him in a dream long before, he would surely take his kingdom from his house and give it to another; for the sake of David his father he would not take his kingdom away while Solomon lived, but when the next king, his son, reigned, all the kingdom except one tribe should be rent away from him. What a sad ending to the reign of the wise and great king! Though he was so wise and so great he allowed Satan (who is always waiting for a chance) to creep into his heart. He had forgotten God who had been so good to him. Let us not forget God. Let us not forget the words of the Golden Text: "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. What did God say to Solomon in a dream, which we learned about some time ago?
2. Did Solomon do as God wished him to do?
3. How was his sin punished?
4. What is the Golden Text?

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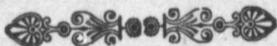


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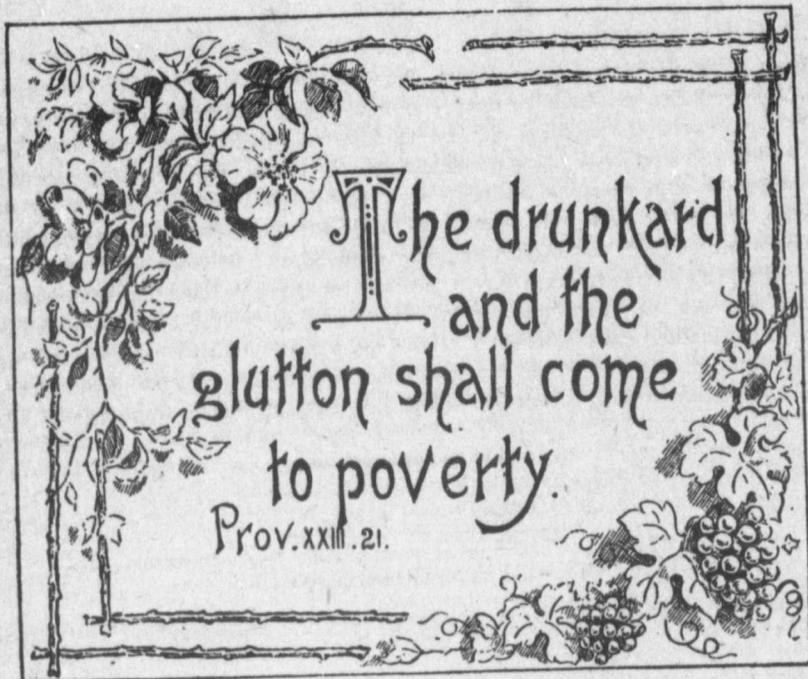
©R God! give me faith to shield me from the evil one.

LESSON XI—December 13th, 1896.

Cautions Against Intemperance. PROV. 23: 15-25.



GOLDEN TEXT: "For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty." Prov. 23: 21.



15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine.

16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long.

18 For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.

19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:

21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.

22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.

23 Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice, and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.

25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

“ NEED Thee every hour,  
Stay Thou near by;  
Temptations lose their power  
When Thou art nigh.”

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Prov. 20: 1.  
TUESDAY—Gal. 5: 16.  
WEDNESDAY—2 Pet. 1: 6.  
THURSDAY—1 Thess. 5: 8.  
FRIDAY—1 Thess. 5: 22.  
SATURDAY—Isa. 5: 11.  
SABBATH—Prov. 23: 21.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



**I**N our eleventh letter from Solomon, the wise king, says, “My son, be temperate.” He means that we should be temperate in all things, that is, we should never eat too much, or drink too much, or play too much, or do anything more than is really good for us, no matter how much we should like to do so. When Satan tempts us to eat what is not good for us we should be able to say “no.” When he tempts us to drink what is not good for us, we should be able to say “no.” He will tempt us to drink wine and that is not good for us, though it may look very pretty in the glass. Solomon says “the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty.” Sometimes young people think they know better than those who are older than they are, but the wise man says “Hearken unto thy father and despise not thy mother when she is old.” If we listen to their advice we show that we are wise, and a wise child makes the heart of father and mother glad. Listen to the voice of the wise man, for he says truly, “the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty.”



MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. What did Solomon mean when he said “be temperate.”
2. Who does not like us to be temperate?
3. What is the Golden Text to-day?
4. What net is this that Satan has spread to catch people in?

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MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Oh God! give me a wise heart that I may follow the good  
and leave the evil.

## LESSON XII—December 20th, 1896.

### The Birth of Christ. MATT 2 : 1-12.

GOLDEN TEXT : "And the angel said unto them, Fear not ; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Luke 2 : 10.



1 Now when Je'sus was born in Beth'le-hem of Ju-de'a in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Je-ru'sa-lem,

2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

3 When Her'od the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Je-ru'sa-lem with him.

4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

5 And they said unto him, In Beth'le-hem of Ju-de'a: for thus it is written by the prophet:

6 And thou Beth'le-hem, *in* the land of Ju'da, art not the least among the princes of Ju'da: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Is-ra-el.

7 Then Her'od, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

8 And he sent them to Beth'le-hem; and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

9 When they had heard of the king, they departed: and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Ma'ry his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Her'od, they departed into their own country another way.

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

**H**ARK the herald angels sing  
 "Glory to the new born king,  
 Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
 God and sinners reconciled!"  
 Joyful all ye nations, rise,  
 Join the triumph of the skies,  
 With the angelic host proclaim,  
 Christ is born in Bethlehem.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Luke 2: 11.  
 TUESDAY—Matt. 1: 21.  
 WEDNESDAY—Matt. 2: 1.  
 THURSDAY—Matt. 2: 10.  
 FRIDAY—Luke 2: 14.  
 SATURDAY—Ps. 9: 16.  
 SABBATH—Luke 2: 10.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

**A**GAIN we have come to our Christmas lesson. We always love to learn about the little babe whose birthday we celebrate at this time. Soon after Jesus was born, wise men came from the east to Jerusalem and said "Where is he that is born king of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east and have come to worship him." They perhaps thought that Jesus was going to be an earthly king, and would likely be born in the royal palace in Jerusalem. When Herod the king heard what the wise men asked he was troubled, fearing that this new king would come and take his place. So he called all the chief priests and scribes together and asked them where Jesus was to be born, not knowing that he had been born already. They told Herod that the Bible said that Jesus should be born in Bethlehem. When Herod heard this he privately called the wise men and asked them when they had seen the star, and told them to go to Bethlehem and search for the young child, and when they had found him to tell him, so that he might go and worship him too. Then they went to Bethlehem, and the star which they had seen in the east went before them until it stopped over the place where Jesus was. They were very glad, and when they went into the house and saw Jesus and his mother Mary they fell down and worshipped Jesus, and opened their treasures, and gave him gifts of gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. Being warned of God in a dream not to go and tell Herod where Jesus was (for he was a wicked man and did not want to go and worship Jesus but to kill him), they did not do so, but went home to their own country by another way.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Who came from the east?
2. What did they say?
3. What did king Herod do?
4. What did the wise men do?

MY STORIES THIS QUARTER ARE ABOUT



THE WISEST MAN



HE SAYS



MY LETTER THIS WEEK SAYS TO ME



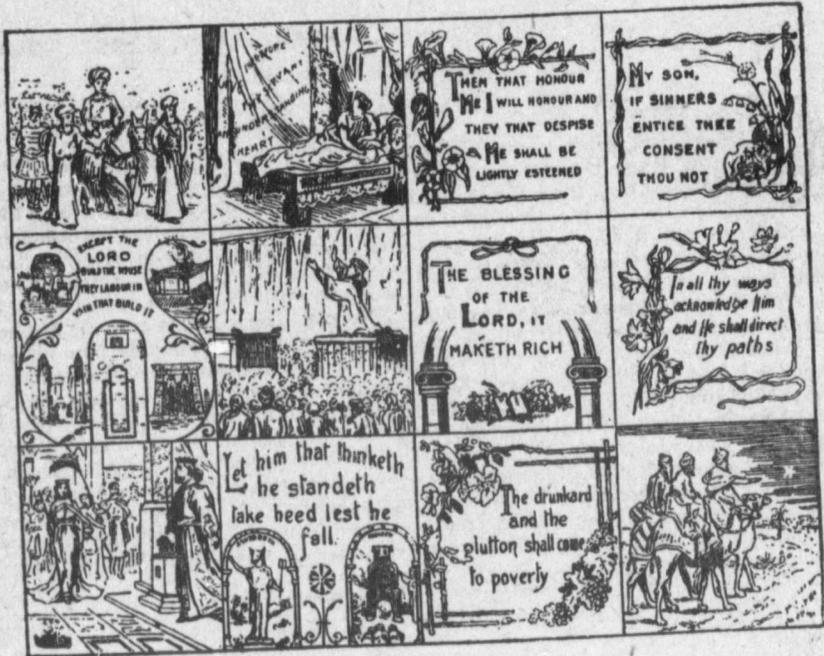
MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Oh God! with a loving, grateful heart I thank Thee for sending Thy dear son Jesus into the world to be my Saviour.

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REVIEW.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." Eccl. 12: 13.



MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

**G**OD, obediently we'll go,  
Gladly leaving all below;  
Only Thou our Leader be,  
And we still will follow Thee.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—I Kings 2: 3.  
TUESDAY—Ps. 111: 10.  
WEDNESDAY—Prov. 1: 10.  
THURSDAY—Prov. 10: 12.  
FRIDAY—Matt. 12: 24.  
SATURDAY—I Cor. 10: 12.  
SABBATH—Luke 2: 10.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.

(Please read again the letter on page 21.)

MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

**O**R God! I thank Thee for all Thy love to me this year;  
bless me in the coming year and make my heart more  
loving, and keep me closer to Thee.