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always before him. And he counted,

imputed, it (his faith) to him for

righteousness. Nothing is better,

nothing nobler in character, nothing

is more truly righteous than a

loving, trusting, obedient heart.

This is what God most desires in

us, and all the "good works" in the

world, without this, are nothing.

The Symbol of the Changed Name.

Lord that brought thee out of Ur. 1

delivered you from idolatry, I have

faithful Abraham needed some

visible support for his faith, like

Hezekiah. "With a like view, our

L rd ordained the sacrament to be

In reply God employed the usages

familiar to Abraham in the ratifica-

tion of covenants among men. Take

me an heifer. One of the usual

animals for this purpose. Of three

years old. Full grown and perfect.

The other animals were also sacri-

ficial animals. Divided them in the

midst. "Each of these animal was

cut in two, and each half laid over

against the corresponding half, a

narrow passage being left between

them" The birds, being small,

divided he not, but provably laid

one on each side over against one

another. When the fowls came down.

Birds of prey, abound in the Eat,

of divine revelation by which God

could express his part in the coven-

ant. An horror of great darkness.

Darkness without and within, which

filled him with the depest reve

ence and awe. And he said. God

here renews his promises and fore-

tells some of the events which are

to take place on the way to their

national home. Four hundred years

strange land; or, from the going of

Jacob into Egypt till the Exodus.

Will I judge. Bring to judgment

and punish, fulfilled by the plagues

and the overthrow in the Red Sea.

Come out with great substance. The

great numbers of the people, their

large flocks and herds, and the

feely given at the time of the

Exodus. And thou shalt go to thy

the sculs of his ancestors. The

phrase, used here for the first time,

evidently involves the thought of

average period of the life of men,

about a century at that time.

not yet become so wicked that they

it on the part of Abraham.

THE COVENANT AGREEMENT.

See Gen. 12: 2, 3, 7; 13: 14 17;

15: 4-6, 18; 17: 48: 22: 15-18.

descendants, who should become a

Abraham should have a child and

They should be innumerable as

the sinds and stars, and should

possess the land of Palestine.

to all nations, through all ages.

A New Plan.

had decided to give no mere enter-

there was their little orphan girl in

pocket money, it would not have

fulfilment. Thy seed shall be

reason for your trusting in me.

See Jas. 2: 17 24.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

Third Quarter Lesson 6 Aug. 11 1901

GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRA-HAM.—Genesis 15: 1-8.

GOLDEN TEXT .- I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward .-Gen. 15:1.

LEARN BY HEART Vs. 57; 1 Tim. 4: 8; 2 Pet. 1

HISTORICAL SETTING.

Time. - The date in the margin of our Bible is "about 1913," five or six years after our last esson.

Places - Hebron, twenty miles south of Jerusalem. This was Abraham's home for a good many years. His place was at Mamre (now Rameh) in the environs of the the city, two miles to the north (Tomkins). Here he and Sarah were buried. Abraham's tent was among the Oaks of Mamre, a part bestowment of his promised grace. of Hebron.

Abraham - Eighty-four years old, and still childles, though otherwise rich and prosperous.

We left the history, in our last lesson, at the parting of the ways. where Abraham took one way and Lot chose another.

Soon after this Abraham changed his residence, and from Bethel, twelve miles north of Jerusalem, he went southerly to Mamre, twenty miles south of Jerusalem.

One of the results of Lot's unwise and worldly choice was that by being in bad company he was captured together with the Sodomites, and caried away captive by a horde of soldiers from the regions beyond the Euphrates. As soon as Abraham learned of this tact, he armed 318 of h's retainers, and with three his covenant. A deep sleep fell upon trok the army in the vicinity of Damascus, and gained a victory over the much larger host, and rescued not only the family and possessions of Lot, but also those of the Sodomites, which had been taken with him.

It was at this time he met Melchizedek, king of Salem, referred to at length in the book of Hebrews.

The fact that immediately after this battle there came another vision from G.d leads us to think that probably the father of the faithful may have fallen into a state of discouragement. Almost all men of great faith and of stirring deeds have had their seasons of discouragement and depression. Moses (Num. 11: 10-15). The Psalmist (Psa. 10: 1) Élijah, after his mighty deed on Carmel. John the First Class Work at low Baptist, in the dungeon. Almost every wo ker for God has at some time been with Bunyan's Christian riches asked of the Egyptians and and Hopeful in Doubting Castle of Giant Despair, and, like Hopeful, forgot that he had the key of deliver fathers. To that place, where are ance in his bosom.

It is easy to see some of the probable reasons for this:-

There was the natural reaction after a brave and exciting deed, and his noble act of self-denying generosity.

He, as the head of a small clan, had incurred the enmity of several of the great powers of the East, who had large armies at their com-

He was disappointed in Lot, whom he bad loved and treated as a son. He had no child, and yet he had been promised descendants as the dust of the earth for multitude.

"Lot, whose alienated heart he had probably hoped to win by so great a service, still resides in Sodom."

THE GENERAL, ALL-INCLUSIVE PROMISE .- V. 1. After Abraham's return from his victory in rescuing Lot, the Lord gave him one of the best and greatest promises ever bestowed upon man,

I AM THY SHIELD, AND THY EXCEED ING GREAT REWARD.

Abraham had many a fierce enemy, and small defence from the great armies from the North. He had, besides, all the spiritual enemies which assail us. Against all these Jehovah his God

was his defense. He could guard him from all evils.

The best reward does not consist in God's gifts, but in himself. He who has God has all things.

SYMBOLS OF THE COVENANT--VE-5-18. And he brought him forth abroad. Out of his tent, so that he could see the stars, showing that this vision was no dream, but a real message from God, Look now toward tainments to raise money. heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them. In the promise India whom they had adopted, and to Noah, the rainbow was made a they must keep their pledge to supsign, appearing occasionally, but at | port her. It would have been very the very times when fears for the | well if the girls of the band had had fulfilment of the promise would plenty of money, for they were all naturally arise. To Abraham God in earnest and willing to make any gives a brighter sign, that every sacrifice; but none of them were night would speak to him of God's rich, and if they had given all their

And he believed in the Lord. He made up the required sum. They was supported, he reposed as a child were holding a meeting to talk over in its mother's arms (such seems the the important question. force of the Hebrew word), in the I don't see what we are going to he truth. - Andrew Lang.

strength of God, in God, whom he do, said Lilly. Last year we cleared did not see, more than in the giant twenty-four dollars on our ice-cream empires of earth, or the claims of social.

Yes, said Irene, indignantly, by tribe and kindred, which were giving the people such stingy little dishfuls that I was ashamed to carry them in. I am glad I'll never have to do anything like that again.

We must send the money next month, said Alice, and we lack thirty dollars yet.

for money, said energetic Ruch. laughter. Mr Ellis says that Christian people ought to be glad to give directly t) any worthy cause. I (that make these promises) am the I can't beg, declared Ada; I

prospered you, your whole life is a It wouldn't be begging, declared plan of mine. Your whole past is a Ruth, stoutly, it would just be giving them a chance to help the The Symbol of the Blood Covermissionary cause along. ant. Whereby shall I know. Even

just simply couldn't ask people for

Perhaps you are right, said Ada, but it would seem like begging and I couldn't do it.

Gideon, and Moses, and Elijah, and I don't thick my mother would sensible signs and pledges of the

Emily had not spokon yet. She was a quiet girl who had never taken a part in the entertainments which the band had given. She sat thinking while the others were discussing the question. At length she said:

Girls, I believe I have a plan that will do. You know it is necessary to get the matter before the church that we need money. Let us give a social, not one for money, you to come and enjoy themselves. We will entertain them as well as we refreshments; then we will ask Mr. E lis to tell the people about our and would rapidly gather around the aboundant feast. Abram drove us some money for our orphan. them away. Lest they should

Half a d zen voices chorused destroy his preparations, and spoil

> In due time the members of the invited from the pulpit to attend the Mission Band social.

You will observe, Mr. Ellis said, in making the announcement, tha this is a free soc al, just a social gathering as one of your homes stranger. Without a permanent would be free. We have an en lightened Mission Band that does A round number counting from the not believe in obtaining money for birth or manhood of Isaac to the the Lord's work under various unentrance into Canaan, all of which dignified disguises. time Abrahau's seed were in a

The girls decorated the church parlors with wild flowers and branches from the woods; the ref.eshments' consisted of chocolate thank you, I said; you paid for and little home-made tea cakes; a young lady soloist in the church ple act of kindness to me, a boy consented to sing for them, and that You are more than welcome to

completed the preparation. The church and Sunday-school turned out in full force, and the delighted girls exerted themselves to entertain and serve their guests. Before the evening was half over every one was saying that the social was a splendid success. Then Mr. the immortality of the soul. In Ellis arose to p esent the society's and the home is akin to that which peace. Safe from enemies. A good needs. He told about the orphan exists between the pastor and the old age He lived to be 175 years child in India who was receiving home, differing mainly in one parold. In the fourth generation. The Christian training through the ticular. The pastor has a hundred and in poor health generally. I beexertions of these young girls; be households to care for in Christian told how they had resolved, in love and watchfulness, while the Iniquity . . . not yet full. They had common with all other societies of Sanday-school teacher has five or the church, that hereafter all money six, or perhaps ten, to visit and must be destroyed for the good of for the Lord's cause must be raised think of and remember in prayer. by direct giving. In conclusion he A greater familiarity may very mankind. Behold a burning furrace. The word really means the circular said, We are not even going to take naturally result from this closer opup a collection, for in that case portunity for service and friendship, firepot which Orientals use in their houses to sit round for purposes of some might give simply for the looks and the teacher, in the hearts of the believe it was the means of saving her warmth. Fire is the recognized of it, as they say, or because they young who gather in the class, is life after everything else had failed. symbol of the Diety, as in the burning bush, the pillar of fire, the want every penny to be consecrated as an example. lightenings on Mt Sinai, etc. That to the Lord. Those who wish to passed between those pieces, as the belp us may find one of the members representative of God. In the same day. At this very time. The Lord of the Mission Band, and give the money to her. We are ready to made a covenant with Abram. A receive contributions as small as a Scott. promise on the Lord's part, and cent, and as large as any one's genabsolute faith in and acceptance of

erosity can make them. brought a penny; poor Miss Dodd, that have taken place before me. the seamstress, gave ten cents with a tremulous wish that it were more; Mr. Alstock, the merchant, left a He would be their God, would bless them, protect them, and train their means. When the people were them as a father trains his children.

He would make them a blessing

Mr. Ellis to count the money, they found that they had more they than appetite. sixty dollars.

And we can send it all to our orphan, cried Lilly, for there isn't a bit of expense to pay. The Golden Link Mission Band

We never made more than thirty dollars before at any entertainment, said Ruth. And just think, we haven't had

any tiresome relearsals, said Alice, and nobody is mad because somebody else had the best part. And we haven't had to sell tickets

And, best of all, you've found out that people do love the mission

adjour ned .- Chris. Standard. A writer's first business is to tell

Kind Deeds Beget Kindness.

When I was a lad nine years old, I was one day carrying home from he grocer's fifty cents worth of granulated sugar. I had reached the most crowded streets in the city Winnipeg) when I slipped and the package fell and burst upon the sidewalk. Many people were passing by, but the majority laughed and Well, we must just ask the people tried to say something to cause

I didn't feel like laughing. With me it was a serious matter. I feared a whipping for my carelesness. As I stood guarding the spilt sugar, a very wretched boy indeed, a nicely from the repulsive smells which dressed gentlemen laid his band on my shoulder and said: W. li, my boy, you seem to be in trouble. Yes, sir, I replied.

He had a newspaper in his hand which he had just purchased. He kneeled beside me and spread the paper out on the sidewalk. He carefully lifted the broken package allow me to ask for money, said on to his paper. Then drawing from his pocket a knife, he opened it and used the large blade for a shovel. All the time crowds were passing by, and many people looked sur

I remember determining at that time that if I ever had the opportunity to help that man I would surely do so. Nine years passed by before I met that man again. It was at the lecture of a noted speaker. in some way, else they won't know My father owned the hall where the lecture was given. Long before the eyes? hour had arrived the seats were know, but a free one just for pe ple filled and standing room was at a premium. I stepped back to the door, and who should I meet but can, and perhaps serve some simple the gentleman who had assisted me when a boy. With him were four ladies. He had failed to secure need, and those who wish can give reserved seats in advance, baving no idea there would be such a crowd.

I took in the situation, and said enthusi sically. That's just the to him : Stand here for about five friends went in pursuit. He ove - Abram. Sent by God for purposes toing, and How did you think of it? minutes, and I will secure some pleasure to think she had been of ing near interrupted me by saying: First class line of Spectaeles and This is impossible, Mr. McCrossan, Eye Glasses to select from. as all the seats are filled now. church and Sunday-school were told him I would do as I had prom-

> 1 went to the platform and o.der ed two of the stage hands to bring a section of five chairs from under the platform wheresome were stored. I then had a number of other seats moved to make room for that secton in a good place to hear and see. Tuen I escorted the gentleman and the ladies he had brought to the seats thus provided. The gentleman was profuse in his

thanks, and offered me \$3 75, the price for five reserved seats. No, these seats nine years ago by a sim-

I expect he is wondering yet what it was he did, for I never had another chance to tell him .- Word and Work.

The relation between the teacher are ashamed not to. We don't regarded as next to the parents, is want any of that sort of money; we quoted as an authority, and is taken

> We know what we are; we know not what we may be. -Sir Walter

I would give my right hand, said John B. Gough, if I could but forget When the people began to dis that which I have learned in evil perse, the girls were busy. It seemed society; if I could tear from my by that every one wanted to give remembrance the scenes which I something. Little Laura May have witnessed, the transactions

A Red Hot Season.

shining gold piece in Emily's hand, and many more gave, according to their means. When the people were the system is severe and the appetite is often lost. Burdock Blood Bitters purifies and invigorates the blood, tones up the system, and restores lost

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