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And gild the darkest sky,  
And, with its soul-refreshing power,  
Joy's in midst of grief supply.

This year will prove a happy one  
If, quickened by Thy grace,  
With swifter, firmer steps I run  
The arduous, heavenly race;  
If stumbling, lingering now no more,  
"Forgetting things behind,"  
I press toward those that are before  
With undiverted mind.

This year will prove a happy one,  
Bring with it what it may,  
If, Lord, Thy strength be made my own  
In every trying day;  
For Thou canst make all grace abound,  
Thou canst my grace increase,  
And with Thy mercy fence me round,  
And keep my mind in peace.

This year will prove a happy one  
If every moment lent,  
Each day, each hour, with Thee begun,  
For Thee alone be spent;  
If, as the weeks revolve, my aim,  
My one desire on earth may be,  
On earth to glorify Thy name,  
To live, my God, for Thee!

—Charlotte Elliott.

### The Sabbath-School.

#### INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

Fourth Quarter—Lesson III.—Jan. 18.

GOD'S CARE OF ELIJAH.—  
1 Kings 17:1-16.

GOLDEN TEXT.—*They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.*—Ps. 34:10.

#### INTRODUCTION.

Sixty-six years have passed away since the disruption of the kingdoms. Judah has been blessed with two good kings and two great religious reformations, which have led to great material prosperity. Israel, on the other hand, has been reaping the fruit of Jeroboam's introduction of idolatry. She has eight kings of four dynasties. Civil wars have blasted her prosperity, and idolatry has debased the people. It was within this state of darkness and sin that Elijah suddenly appeared.

#### THE STATE OF THE KINGDOM OF ISRAEL.

A Bad King. Ahab was a man of some ability, but he had no strength of character and no moral principle. His reign brought in fresh impulses of evil, and wickedness flourished with new vigor.

A Heathen Queen. Ahab took for his queen Jezebel, the daughter of the king of the Zidonians, probably with the hope of uniting his kingdom with that of Tyre and Sidon, thus giving him a seaport and a commercial population, and the hope of rivaling the ancient splendor of Solomon's time. But this was even worse policy than that which Jeroboam introduced. Jezebel was a bad woman.

The Spread of Idolatries. Jezebel set herself, to expiate the religion of Jehovah from Israel, and to substitute in its place open paganism. Splendid shrines were built, especially one of vast size in the capital.

A Great Persecution. It was reserved for Jezebel to exemplify the principles of persecution in its most direct form. The schools of the prophets, flourishing ever since the days of Samuel, were extinguished, so that 100 of the prophets were concealed in caves, and fed in secret. The altars of God were thrown down; and his prophets were slain so that Elijah thought he was the only worshipper of Jehovah in the kingdom.

THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF ELIJAH WITH A MESSAGE FROM GOD.—Ver. 1. *And Elijah the Tishbite.* With a sudden abruptness, the prophet of God appears upon the scene, with a message from Jehovah. *Of the inhabitants of Gilead* means that he had spent his life in Gilead, and become a citizen of that country. He was above the common height of man. He had long, wild hair (for he was a Nazirite). His only clothing was a girdle of skin round his loins, and the cape of sheepskin. It was a protest against the gorgeous luxury of idolatry. *Said unto Ahab, the king of Israel, in his palace at Samaria.* It must have required great courage, great faith in God, and a soul filled with the power and importance of his mission, to have enabled a lone man, of uncouth speech and wilderness dress, to enter the court of King Ahab, and announce the message of God. *As the Lord God of Israel liveth* is the usual form of an oath. *The God of Israel.* The true living God who had chosen Israel, and made a covenant with them, which was now shamefully broken by idolatry. With the words before whom I stand, Elijah designates himself to the king as the servant and ambassador of Jehovah. *There shall not be dew nor rain.* The fertility of Palestine is entirely dependent upon the regularity of the rains, and during the long intervals between,

upon the heavy dews. Drought in Eastern lands means famine and severe suffering, the loss of cattle, the general impoverishing of the nation, the death of thousands. *These years.* An indefinite period. The drought lasted three and a half years. *But according to my word.* Not at his own caprice, but as directed by the Lord. And his word could depend on the penitence, etc., of the people.

Object of the Famine. The famine was but the preparation for the real mission and work of Elijah. It was the ploughing of the field before the seed could be sown. It was a right punishment for the sins of the people. The punishment was as wide as the sin, touching every person from the king on his throne to the beggar at the gate. It showed, too, that Elijah was God's prophet, for what Elijah had threatened was entirely beyond human control. It would compel Ahab and the people to listen to his message. Ahab would despise the rough, uncouth man as a lunatic, and give no heed to his message. But the famine would compel him to listen, as the miracles of Moses before Pharaoh.

ELIJAH'S EXPERIENCE AT CHERITH.—Vers. 2-7. *The word of the Lord came unto him.* In what manner is unknown, whether by inward impulse, or vision, or angelic messenger. But it was clearly God's word. *Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, i. e., toward the Jordan and Gilead, his own country. And hide thyself by the brook Cherith.* The Purpose of this Retirement. To avoid importunity. To escape persecution, torture, and death. For the king would have taken every possible means to compel the prophet to speak the word of power that would bring the rain. To wait patiently till the famine had done its work in the hearts of king and people. That the prophet himself might be trained in faith and courage. *And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there.* *So he went and did according unto the word of the Lord.* He obeyed trusting the God. *And the ravens brought him bread and flesh.* Jerome in his life of Paul the hermit relates that a raven thus supplied the hermit's wants. Those who have watched the habits of large birds like the raven can bear witness to the large supply which they bring home under ordinary circumstances, and for Elijah's sustenance their natural energy was quickened. *And it came to pass after a while.* An indefinite term. All we can be sure of is, that he must have been more than two years, out of three and a half, at Zerephath.

ELIJAH'S EXPERIENCE AT ZEREPHATH.—Vers. 8-16. *And the word of the Lord came.* Do we inquire whether the Lord directs his children still, as in old time? Undoubtedly he does, though not by any audible voice, yet with equal certainty and evidence; commonly by leaving only one way open to us. By the principles of his word; by the guidance of his Holy Spirit; by guiding our judgment and good sense. Those seldom go far astray who are anxious and willing to do God's will. *Arise, get thee to Zerephath.* It lies still, as no doubt it did then, on the high road between Tyre and Sidon, and on the shore. It was beyond the limits of the kingdom of Israel, and therefore the prophet was here comparatively safe from the vengeance of Ahab. Ahab sought everywhere for Elijah. But he would not dream of his going into the territories of Jezebel's father; and as a peasant in the cottage of a poor widow, he would be unsuspected. *I have commanded.* That is, have put it into her heart. *Behold the widow woman.* The widow showed by the oath, "as Jehovah thy God liveth," that she was a worshipper of the true God. Never would Elijah have made the demand, and still less would she have paid any attention to it, had she been a heathen and worshipper of idols. She was doubtless one of God's true servants, amid the heathenism around her. *Gathering of sticks.* For her fire. *Fetch me a little water.* The gift of water to the thirsty is always regarded as a sacred duty in the East. It is clear that the water supply of Phœnicia had entirely failed. Elijah asked this to test whether he had found her to whom he had been sent, and her instant compliance showed him that he had. His appearance, very probably, convinced her that he was a "holy man." *And she said, as the Lord thy God liveth.* Showing her recognition of him as an Israelite and a man of God. *I have not a cake.* Loaf, the smallest kind of bread. *A handful of meal.* Wheat, ground in a hand-mill. *In a barrel.* Probably an earthen jar. *And a little oil.* Olive-oil. To eat with the bread, as we eat butter. *In a cruse.* This vessel is of a globular form about nine inches in diameter, with a slender neck, and, on the side opposite the handle, a straight spout, having an orifice about as large as a straw. Two

sticks. As we say two or three. *Dress it.* Prepare it for eating. *That we may eat it, and die.* The famine prevailed there, and she was in the last extremity. *Fear not.* Do not be troubled, but take heart, and trust God. *Make me thereof a little cake first.* This must have seemed very strange and hard at first, it was a test of her faith in the promises of God. *For thus saith the Lord God of Israel.* Now comes the promise on which she was to rest. *The barrel of meal shall not waste.* This unfailling oil and meal was due to a miracle. *And she went and did.* She had faith, and her faith produced good works. *Did eat many days.* Between two and three years.

The Trial of Faith. Elijah's faith was tested. (1) He must go into the country most at enmity with the God he served. (2) His path is untried and unknown. (3) He is led to one of the poorest of people, unable to sustain himself. (4) He lives by a perpetual miracle, his sustenance coming day by day. (5) The trial is long continued. (6) His reward. He was sustained, and at the same time prepared for his future work. The widow's faith was tested. (1) She is asked to entertain a man of God, whom the king desired to kill; hence her life was in danger. (2) She gives to a stranger, on his word as a man of God, her last loaf. (3) She was tested day by day, as only the supply for a day was given at a time. (4) Her faith was rewarded by constant support; by the presence and life of a man of God; by spiritual blessings. (5) Her example has been an unfailling cruse of blessing to all saints since.

#### PRACTICAL HINTS.

Evil comes to a nation by departing from God and his commands. Salvation can come only by returning to God.

God sends punishments in mercy. The preacher and the teacher must be faithful, and deliver God's messages of warning at whatever cost.

When the seed is sown, it is often best to let it germinate in silence. The good suffer with the bad, but not with the same effect upon them. Fellowship in trial makes it possible to give to others the aid we ourselves have found in God.

All nature is compelled to minister to God's children.

God reveals our way step by step. We do not see the whole way at once.

We are all too prone to give God the last. We carry till the cup overflows and promise that we will give what runs over to him. We wait until we see whether we have anything to spare, and we give him the surplus. But we ought to make God's cake first; and when we do that, we shall have all we need.

God's instruments for helping others receive special blessings from his hands.

God's grace and love are an unfailling fountain.

SPELLING.—A teacher of forty years' experience once remarked that he had observed that good spellers learned to spell before they were ten years old, and that if a child did not learn by that time he would in all likelihood never learn. We commend this observation to those who are teaching children to read and spell, and suggest that if due care is taken from the beginning to form habits of accuracy and exactness in the use and the spelling of words it will result in abundant returns for the pains taken.

There are a great many quite well educated folk who are never certain of themselves in this matter, and who are very slow to put pen to paper for their friends to read, because of this uncertainty. These very individuals, doubtless, might have made good spellers if they had been taken in hand early enough. What a life-long mortification, in such case, would have been saved them!

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"All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Parish of Saint Marys, in the County of York, in Gibson aforesaid, described in the deed thereof from John Neill and wife to the said Robert Davidson, dated the fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1872, recorded in Book Z, No. 2 of the York County Records, page 30, as follows:—Fronting on the south-west by the main river road thirty-two feet and running back ninety feet, same width in rear as front, thirty-two feet, and bounded on upper side by a lot sold to Hiram Brewer, and on the lower side by vacant lots, and being part of the same land and premises deeded to said John Neill by James Johnson and wife. Also all that certain other lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Parish and County aforesaid in the village of Gibson and adjoining the above described lot described in the deed thereof from the said John Neill and wife to the said Robert Davidson, bearing date the tenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, recorded in Book L. 3 of the York County Records, pages 400, 401 and 402 as being bounded as follows, viz., 'on the northwest by the place of beginning. Also fifteen feet in rear of said Robert Davidson's lot, making a square block of said two lots,' together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon and the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging.

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