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Lesson 1



SAUL, A GREAT LEADER

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 11:1-13.

MEMORY VERSE:

"All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before Thee, O Lord, and shall glorify Thy name." Psalm 86:9.

"Samuel then set before the people "the manner of the kingdom," stating the principles upon which the monarchical government was based, and by which it should be controlled. The king was not to be an absolute monarch, but was to hold his power in subjection to the will of the Most High....

"While the people in general were ready to acknowledge Saul as their king, there was a large party in opposition...

"In this condition of affairs Saul did not see fit to assume the royal dignity...

"Soon after Saul's appointment the Ammonites, under their king, Nahash, invaded the territory of the tribes east of Jordan and threatened the city of Jabesh-gilead. The inhabitants tried to secure terms of peace..." -*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 611, 612.

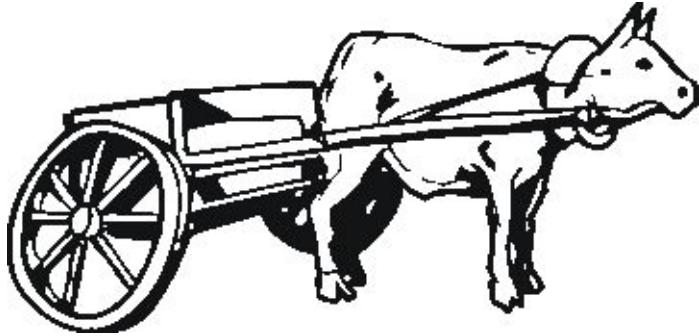
PUT AN X ON THE RIGHT ANSWER:

1. How many days' rest did the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead want?

- a. 1 b. 7 c. 30

"To this the Ammonites consented, thinking thus to heighten the honor of their expected triumph. Messengers were at once dispatched from Jabesh, to seek help from the tribes west of Jordan. They carried the tidings to Gibeah, creating widespread terror.

"Saul, returning at night from following the oxen in the field, heard the loud wail that told of some great calamity." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 612.



UNDERLINE THE RIGHT ANSWER:

2. How many men gathered on the plain of Bezeah under the command of Saul?

- a. 50 b. 100,000 c. 330,000

"Like Gideon, dividing his force into three companies, he fell upon the Ammonite camp at that early hour,...

"The promptness and bravery of Saul, as well as the generalship shown in the successful conduct of so large a force, were qualities which the people of Israel had desired in a monarch, that they might be able to cope with other nations." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 613.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

3. What did the people forget, however?

- a. That Saul couldn't have done it without God's help
- b. That Elijah fought in the battle also
- c. That the Ammonite king was not very strong

"In their enthusiasm some proposed to put to death those who had at first refused to acknowledge the authority of Saul." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 613.

4. Write what Saul said to the people, according to 1 Samuel 11:13:

"Therenot a man
....., for to day
..... in Israel".

"Instead of taking honor to himself, he gave the glory to God. Instead of showing a desire for revenge, he manifested a spirit of compassion and forgiveness." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 613.

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

5. This shows that the grace of God dwelt in the heart of Saul.

We, too, must have the grace of God in our hearts. We must love our enemies as well as our friends and always have a desire to lead them to the Lord.



Lesson 2



SAUL'S GREAT MISTAKE

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 11:14, 15; 13:1-13.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass." Psalm 37:7.

"Samuel now proposed that a national assembly should be convoked at Gilgal, that the kingdom might there be publicly confirmed to Saul. It was done; 'and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the Lord; and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly'...

"After the assembly at Gilgal, Saul disbanded the army that had at his call arisen to overthrow the Ammonites, reserving only two thousand men to be stationed under his command at Michmash and one thousand to attend his son Jonathan at Gibeah...

"Meanwhile their warlike neighbors, the Philistines, were active...

"It was not until the second year of Saul's reign that an attempt was made to subdue the Philistines." —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 613, 616.

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

1. Where did the people run to hide for fear to the great army of the Philistine?

- a. Across the Jordan
- b. Into caves and pits
- c. Into the palace
- d. Under wagons
- e. Into the temple

"When the tidings reached Saul and his army at Gilgal, the people were appalled at thought of the mighty forces they would have to encounter in battle. They were not prepared to meet the enemy, and many were so terrified that they dared not come to the test of an encounter." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 617.



PUT AN X ON THE RIGHT ANSWER:

2. What did Samuel proposed to do when he came? 1 Samuel 10:8.

- a. Offer burnt offerings and sacrifice peace offerings
- b. Help Saul to fight
- c. Go to the king and beg for mercy

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

3. Saul tried to prepare the people for the service that Samuel was coming to perform.

“Day after day Saul tarried, but without making decided efforts toward encouraging the people and inspiring confidence in God...

“But Saul had grown restless; and the people, instead of trusting in God for help, were looking to the king whom they had chosen, to lead and direct them.” –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 617.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

4. When Samuel did not appear at the exact time expected, what did Saul do?

- a. Went to gather his army
- b. Offered the sacrifices himself
- c. Went to find Samuel

“God had directed that only those consecrated to the office should present sacrifices before Him.” –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 618.

5. Fill in the blanks:

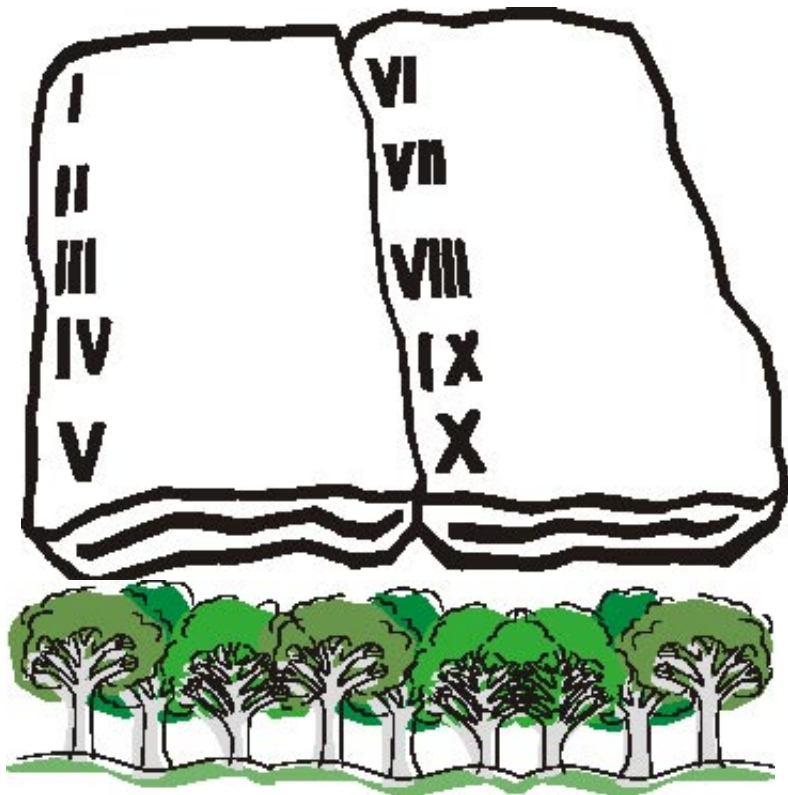
“..... hast done: Thou

hast..... the

of the....., thy God.” 1 Samuel 13:13.

“If Saul had shown a regard for the requirements of God in this time of trial, God could have worked His will through him...

“We should not follow impulse, nor rely on the judgment of men; we should look to the revealed will of God and walk according to His definite commandment, no matter what circumstances may surround us.” –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 621, 622.



Lesson 3



SAMUEL REBUKES SAUL

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 15:1-26.

MEMORY VERSE:

"And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." 1 Samuel 15:22.

"When reproved by the prophet at Gilgal, Saul saw no great sin in the course he had pursued...

"But the Lord sent His servant with another message to Saul. By obedience he might still prove his fidelity to God and his worthiness to walk before Israel." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 627.

1. Was Saul to spare anything belonging to the Amalekites?

"This victory over the Amalekites was the most brilliant victory that Saul had ever gained, and it served to rekindle the pride of heart that was his greatest peril." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 629.

PUT AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER:

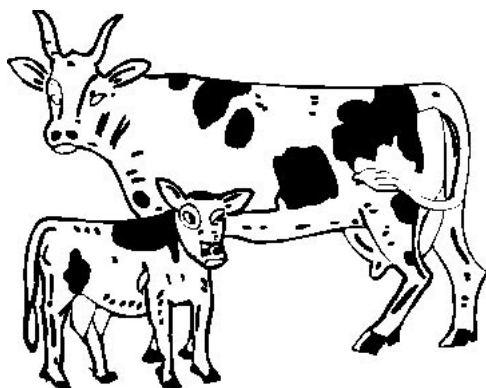
2. Whom did Saul take as prisoner?

- a. Agar, the king b. The people c. Samuel

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

3. Saul also kept the best of the oxen, fallings, lambs and all that was good.

"Saul had now been subjected to the final test. His presumptuous disregard of the will of God, showing his determination to rule as an independent monarch, proved that he could not be trusted with royal power as the vicerent of the Lord." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 629.



4. Fill in the blanks from 1 Samuel 15:11:

"It me that I have up

..... to be: for he is

..... fromme,

and hath performed my....."

"The prophet was deeply grieved over the course of the rebellious king, and he wept and prayed all night for a reversing of the terrible sentence." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 630.

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

5. Saul now admitted his guilt, but didn't repented of his sin.

Saul did not truthfully repent, therefore knowing that he had sinned, he excused himself blaming the people. He didn't feel pain for his bad action, but to fear punishment he recognized in certain degree his fault. Does it not also occur to us sometimes like that, that we do not really feel the pain for our sins, except we only admit our fault to divert the punishment from us?

"As the king heard this fearful sentence he cried out, "I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice." Terrified by the denunciation of the prophet, Saul acknowledged his guilt, which he had before stubbornly denied; but he still persisted in casting blame upon the people, declaring that he had sinned through fear of them."
—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 631.

6. Unscramble these names:

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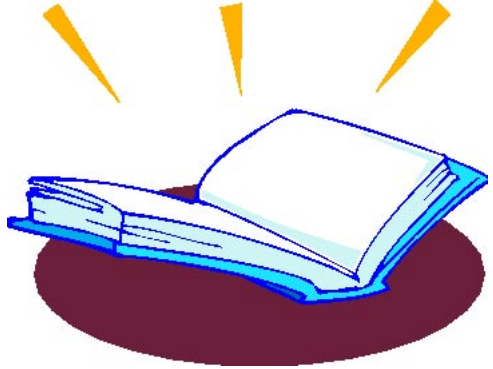
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Lesson 4



DAVID, THE SHEPHERD

READING VERSE: 1 Samuel 16.

MEMORY VERSE:

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still water." Psalm 23:1, 2.

"The simple shepherd boy sang the songs of his own composing, and the music of his harp made a sweet accompaniment to the melody of his fresh young voice. The Lord had chosen David, and was preparing him, in his solitary life with his flocks, for the work He designed to commit to his trust in after years.

"While David was thus living in the retirement of his humble shepherd's life, the Lord God was speaking about him to the prophet Samuel." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 637.

PLACE AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER OF THE THREE FIRST QUESTIONS:

1. Whom was Samuel sent to see?

a. Saul

b. David

c. Jesse

2. What was he to take along for sacrifice?

- a. Lamb
- b. Heifer
- c. Goat

After Samuel had called Jesse and his sons, an altar was built, and the sacrifice was made ready.

3. Who was missing in that occasion?

- a. David.
- b. Samuel.
- c. Eliab.

“When the sacrifice was ended, and before partaking of the offering feast, Samuel began his prophetic inspection of the noble-appearing sons of Jesse.” —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 638.



UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

4. How many sons of Jesse were present?

- a. 3
- b. 5
- c. 7

"Eliab was the eldest, and more nearly resembled Saul for stature and beauty than the others. His comely features and finely developed form attracted the attention of the prophet. As Samuel looked upon his princely bearing, he thought, 'This is indeed the man whom God has chosen as successor to Saul,' and he waited for the divine sanction that he might anoint him. But Jehovah did not look upon the outward appearance." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 638.

5. Were any of these seven brothers chosen?

"With painful suspense Samuel had looked upon the last of the young men; the prophet was perplexed and bewildered. He inquired of Jesse, "Are here all thy children?" The father answered, "There remaineth yet the youngest, and behold, he keepeth the sheep." Samuel directed that he should be summoned,..." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 638.

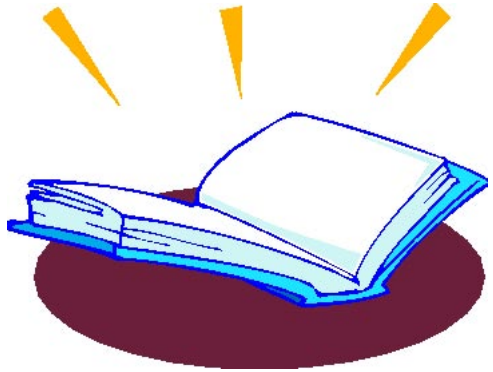
6. What did the Lord say? 1 Samuel 16:12.

"David had proved himself brave and faithful in the humble office of a shepherd, and now God had chosen him to be captain of His people. 'Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of [from among] his brethren: and the Spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward.' " *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 641.

7. Draw a picture of Samuel anointing David.



Lesson 5



DAVID MEETS THE GIANT

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 17.

MEMORY VERSE:

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psalm 84:11.

"When King Saul realized that he had been rejected by God, and when he felt the force of the words of denunciation that had been addressed to him by the prophet, he was filled with bitter rebellion and despair... His counselors advised him to seek for the services of a skillful musician, in the hope that the soothing notes of a sweet instrument might calm his troubled spirit." *—Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 643.*

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

1. By God's providence, who was sent to King Saul?

- a. David
- b. Jesse
- c. Eliab

"When his services were not required at the court of Saul, David returned to his flocks among the hills and continued to maintain his simplicity of spirit and demeanor..."

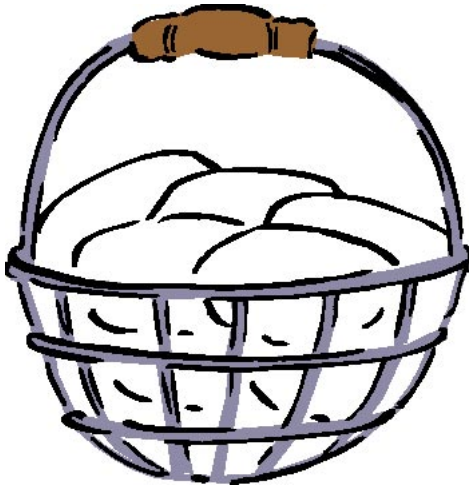
"David was growing in favor with God and man. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he now set his heart more fully to do the will of God than ever before..."

"When war was declared by Israel against the Philistines, three of the sons of Jesse joined the army under Saul; but David remained at home. After a time, however, he went to visit the camp of Saul. By his father's direction he was to carry a message and a gift to his elder brothers and to learn if they were still in safety and health." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 643-645.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE TO THE CORRECT ANSWER OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

2. Why did Jesse send David to the army camp?

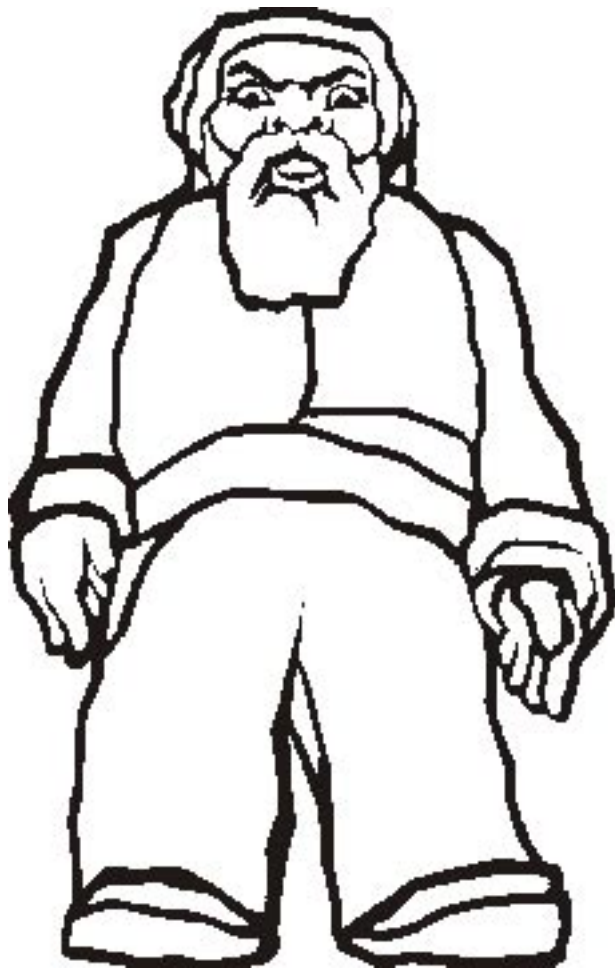
- a. He had a message and gifts for his brothers.
- b. He wanted to fight the Philistines, too.
- c. He had no more sheep to care for.



3. What was the name of this Philistine champion?

- a. Jonathan
- b. Goliath
- c. Daniel

"Saul listened with astonishment to the words of the shepherd, as he said, 'Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.'" —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 646.



4. Put a “D” for David beside the weapons he used and put a “G” for Goliath beside the weapons the giant used.

a. helmet of brass	
b. lance	
c. coat of mail	
d. sling	
e. staff	
f. five stones	
g. shepherd's scrip	
h. shield	

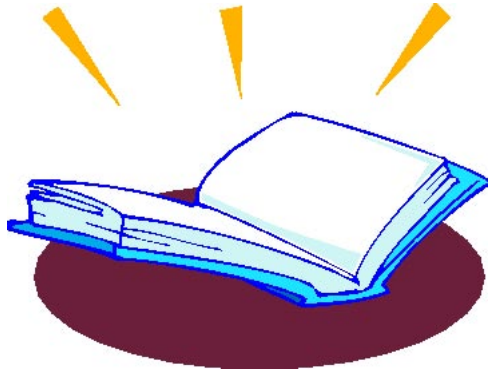
“Choosing five smooth stones out of the brook, he put them in his bag, and, with his sling in his hand, drew near to the Philistine...

“ ‘... that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in the forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.’ ” –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 647, 648.

5. Why do you think David was able to defeat Goliath with only a sling-shot when Goliath was so much stronger and had many weapons? 1 Samuel 17:45, 46.



Lesson 6



DAVID FLEES FROM SAUL

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 18:1-16; 19:1-19; 20:1-43.

MEMORY VERSE:

"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24.

"After the slaying of Goliath, Saul kept David with him, and would not permit him to return to his father's house. And it came to pass that "the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul." Jonathan and David made a covenant to be united as brethren;..." *—Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 649.*

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

1. What was the name of David's good friend?

- a. Elijah
- b. Solomon
- c. Jonathan

"Saul opened his heart to the spirit of jealousy by which his soul was poisoned..."

"He loved to hear David play upon his harp, and the evil spirit seemed to be charmed away for the time; but one day when the youth was ministering before him, and bringing sweet music from his instrument, accompanying his voice as he sang the praises of God, Saul suddenly threw his spear at the musician, for the purpose of putting an end to his life." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 650, 651.

2. Why do you think Saul was so jealous of David?

"Though Saul was ever on the alert for an opportunity to destroy David, he stood in fear of him, since it was evident that the Lord was with him. David's blameless character aroused the wrath of the king;...

"The king kept a strict watch upon David, hoping to find some occasion of indiscretion or rashness that might serve as an excuse to bring him into disgrace. He felt that he could not be satisfied until he could take the young man's life..." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 651, 652.



PUT AN X ON THE RIGHT ANSWER:

3. When Saul's plots failed, what command did he issue to Jonathan and the officers of the court?

- a. To put David in prison.
- b. To take David's life.
- c. To send David to a faraway place.

"Jonathan revealed the king's intention to David and bade him conceal himself while he would plead with his father to spare the life of the deliverer of Israel... 'And Saul sware, As the Lord liveth, he shall not be slain.' David was brought to Saul, and he ministered in his presence, as he had done in the past." *—Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 652.*



4. Who protected David from death in different occasions?

- a. Samuel and his children
- b. Jonathan and his squire
- c. The angels

"While the young man was playing before the king, filling the palace with sweet harmony. Saul's passion overcame him, and he hurled a javelin at David, thinking to pin the musician to the wall; but the angel of the Lord turned aside the deadly weapon. David escaped and fled to his own house...

"He fled to Samuel at Ramah, and the prophet, fearless of the king's displeasure, welcomed the fugitive.

"The home of Samuel was a peaceful place in contrast with the royal palace... Precious were the lessons that David learned from the teacher of Israel...

"The messengers went on their way, intent upon taking David's life; but One greater than Saul controlled them. They were met by unseen angels,... He walled in His servant by a guard of angels." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 652, 653.

5. How many days was David to stay away from the new moon feast?

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3

"At the time of the new moon a sacred festival was celebrated in Israel. This festival recurred upon the day following the interview between David and Jonathan. At this feast it was expected that both the young men would appear at the king's table;...

"Jonathan again made intercession for his friend, pleading, "Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done?" This appeal to the king only made him more satanic in his fury, and the spear which he had intended for David he now hurled at his own son.

"The prince was grieved and indignant, and leaving the royal presence, he was no more a guest at the feast. His soul was bowed down with sorrow as he repaired at the appointed time to the spot where David was to learn the king's intentions toward him. Each fell upon the other's neck, and they wept bitterly." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 654, 655.

6. Complete the open spaces the words that Jonathan told David, which are found in 1 Samuel 20:42:

"Go in, forasmuch as we have both of us in the
..... of the, saying, The be between.....and
....., and between my..... and thy seed"



Lesson 7



SAUL AND THE SORCERESS

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Samuel 28:1-20; 31:1-6.

MEMORY VERSE:

"For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee." Psalm 5:4.

"Again war was declared between Israel and the Philistines... but Saul felt himself to be alone and defenseless, because God had forsaken him...

"Saul did not turn to God with humility and repentance. It was not pardon for sin and reconciliation with God, that he sought, but deliverance from his foes... in his anguish and despair, determined to seek help from another source." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 675, 676.

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

1. God didn't hear the request for help of Saul.

"By his own stubbornness and rebellion he had cut himself off from God." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 676.

PUT AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER:

2. From what source did Saul then seek help?

a. Sorceress

b. Wise men

c. Samuel

"Saul had a full knowledge of the character of necromancy. It had been expressly forbidden by the Lord, and the sentence of death was pronounced against all who practiced its unholy arts...

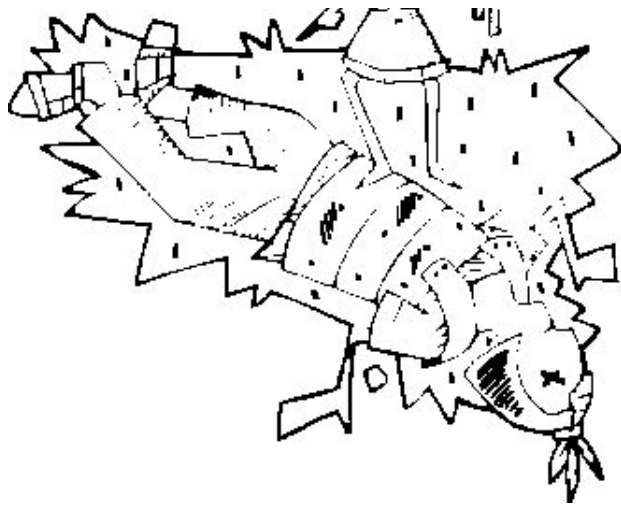
"Disguising himself, Saul went forth by night with but two attendants, to seek the retreat of the sorceress." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 676.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE TO THE CORRECT ANSWER:

3. What message did Saul receive from an evil spirit who pretended to be Samuel?

- a. That Israel would be conquered in the war.
- b. That Saul could return to the grace of the Lord
- c. That Israel would win the battle

"By consulting that spirit of darkness Saul had destroyed himself. Oppressed by the horror of despair, it would be impossible for him to inspire his army with courage. Separated from the Source of strength, he could not lead the minds of Israel to look to God as their helper. Thus the prediction of evil would work its own accomplishment." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 681.



PUT AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER:

4. Who was killed at Saul's side in the battle?

- a. Three of his sons
- b. Kish, his father
- c. David.

"Himself wounded, he could neither fight not fly. Escape was impossible, and determined not to be taken alive by the Philistines, he bade his armor-bearer, 'Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith.' "

–Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 681.

Mientras un ejército luchaba contra el otro, Saúl fue herido, y en la angustia de caer en manos de sus enemigos pidió a su escudero que lo matara. While an army fought against the other, Saul was injured and in the anguish to fall in the hands of its enemies, he asked his squire to kill him.

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

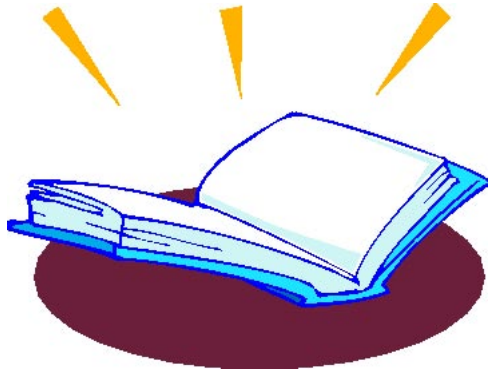
5. When the armor bearer refused. Saul took his own life by falling on his sword.

6. Find the following people in the grid:

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|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. David | J | E | S | S | E | P | E | S |
| 2. Jesse | G | O | L | I | A | T | H | A |
| 3. Saul | I | Z | N | R | S | T | A | M |
| 4. Samuel | S | R | D | A | V | I | D | U |
| 5. Goliath | R | X | U | B | T | Q | U | E |
| 6. Eliab | A | L | O | U | A | H | Z | L |
| 7. Israel | E | N | G | E | L | I | A | B |
| 8. Jonathan | L | H | M | J | L | F | C | N |



Lesson 8



DAVID AND THE ARK OF GOD

READING ASSIGNMENT: 2 Samuel 6:1-18.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Praise ye the Lord. Praise, O ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord." Psalm 113:1.

"The death of Saul removed the dangers that had made David an exile. The way was now open for him to return to his own land. When the days of mourning for Saul and Jonathan were ended, 'David inquired of the Lord, saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And the Lord said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And He said, Unto Hebron.' " —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 697.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE TO THE CORRECT ANSWER:

1. How many went with David?

- a. An army of 10,000
- b. 600 armed men, their wives and children
- c. Only David's brothers

"David and his followers immediately prepared to obey the instruction which they had received from God. The six hundred armed men, with their wives and children, their flocks and herds, were soon on the way to Hebron." —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 697.

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

- 2. One of the first things David did as king was to tell the people how sad he was about Saul and Jonathan.**

"He who had waited patiently for the Lord, beheld the promise of God fulfilled. 'And David went on, and grew great, and the Lord God of hosts was with him.' " –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 702.

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

- 3. What did David do after having defeated the Philistines again?**

- a. Bring the ark of God to Jerusalem
- b. Make a new army
- c. Build a palace to live in



"The ark was brought out from the house of Abinadab and placed upon a new cart drawn by oxen, while two of the sons of Abinadab attended it...

"But when they came to Nachon's threshing floor, Uzzah put forth his hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it."
–*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 704, 705.

PUT AN X ON THE RIGHT ANSWER:

4. What happened to Uzzah?

- a. He got sick
- b. He died
- c. nothing

"The fate of Uzzah was a divine judgment upon the violation of a most explicit command. Through Moses the Lord had given special instruction concerning the transportation of the ark...

"By the judgment upon Uzzah He designed to impress upon all Israel the importance of giving strict heed to His requirements."
–*Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 705, 706.

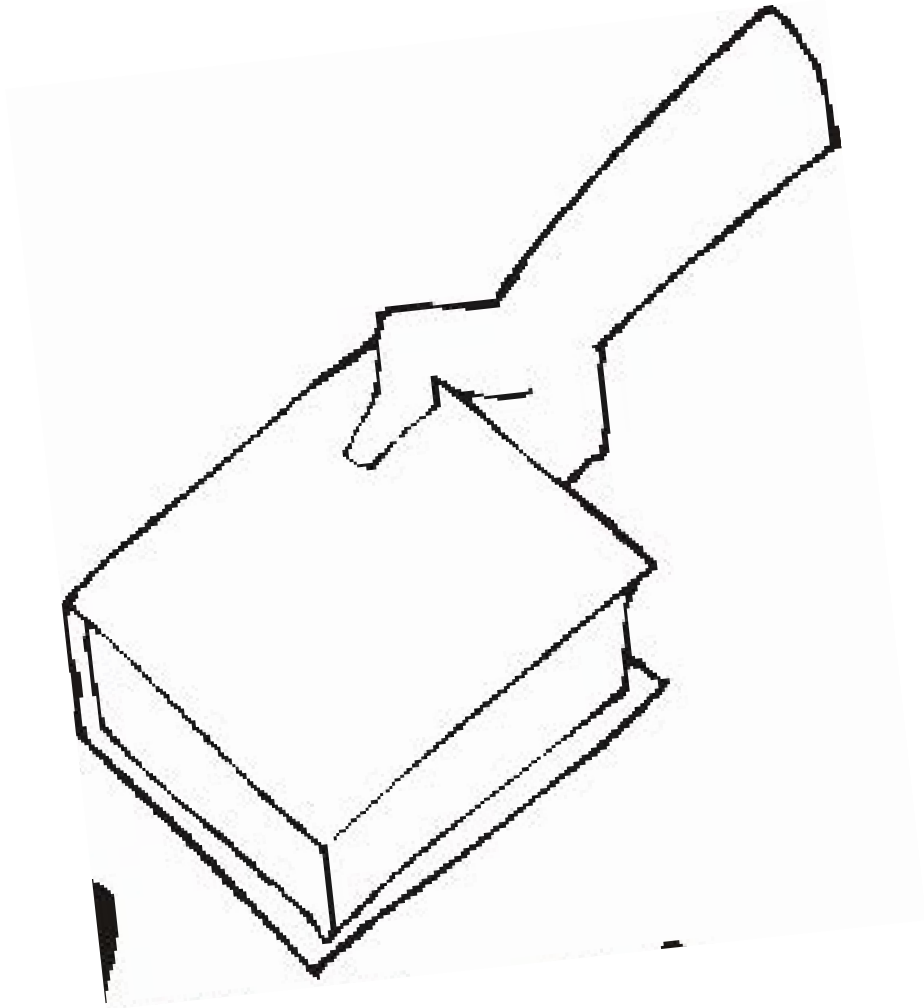
PUT AN X ON THE RIGHT ANSWER:

5. How long did David wait before moving the ark again?

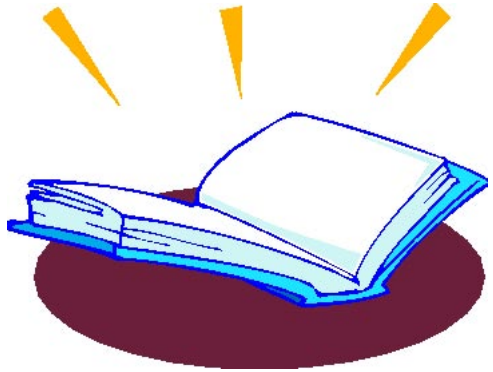
- a. One week
- b. Three months
- c. One year

"At the end of three months he resolved to make another attempt to remove the ark, and he now gave earnest heed to carry out in every particular the directions of the Lord." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 706.

This lesson shows the importance of keeping God's commandments just the way He direct. To really comply with the requirements of God we should give our hearts to Jesus and thus we will be able to live according to His will.



Lesson 9



DAVID'S SIN AND REPENTANCE

READING ASSIGNMENT: 2 Samuel 11:1-15; 12:1-13.

MEMORY VERSE:

"The Lord redeemeth the soul of His servants: and none of them that trust in Him shall be desolate." Psalm 34:22.

"Bathsheba, whose fatal beauty had proved a snare to the king, was the wife of Uriah the Hittite, one of David's bravest and most faithful officers." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 718.

1. Find the names of the soldier and his wife.

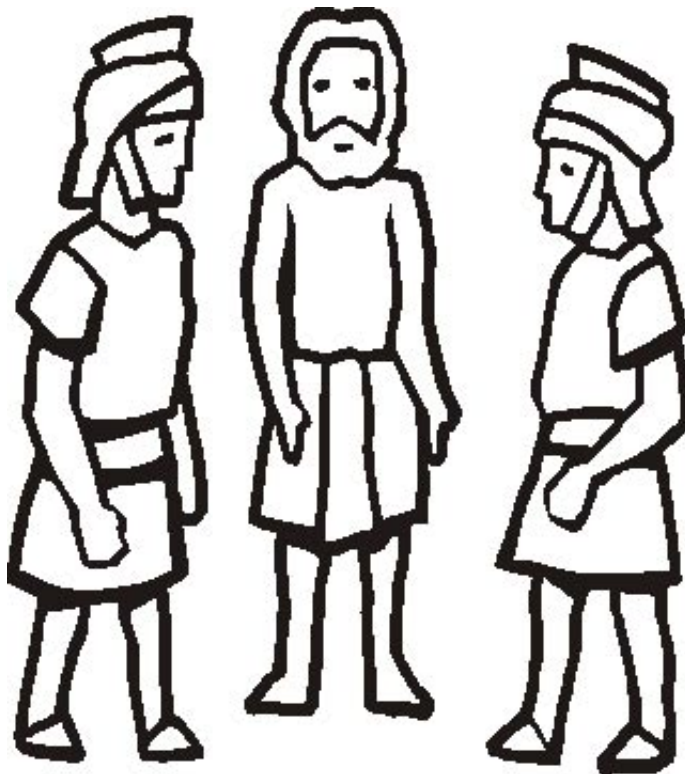
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| a. Absalom | b. Joab |
| c. Naomi | d. Bathsheba |
| e. Uriah | f. Hannah |

"He whose tender conscience and high sense of honor would not permit him, even when in peril of his life, to put forth his hand against the Lord's anointed, had so fallen that he could wrong and murder one of his most faithful and most valiant soldiers, and hope to enjoy undisturbed the reward of his sin." *—Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 720.

2. What message did David send to Joab?

Fill in the blanks: "Set ye..... in the, of
the.....battle, and retire ye from,
that he may be smitten and die." 2 Samuel 11:15.

"God in His mercy did not leave David to be lured to utter ruin by
the deceitful rewards of sin." –*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 720.



UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

3. What was the name of the prophet sent to David by God?

- a. Joab
- b. Absalom
- c. Nathan

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

4. David said, "I have sinned against the Lord."

"The prophet's rebuke touched the heart of David; conscience was aroused; his guilt appeared in all its enormity. His soul was bowed in penitence before God. With trembling lips he said, 'I have sinned against the Lord.' " —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 722.

5. Which was greater—David's sin against Uriah or his sin against God?

"Though David had fallen, the Lord lifted him up. He was now more fully in harmony with God and in sympathy with his fellow men than before he fell. In the joy of his release he sang:

" 'I acknowledged my sin unto Thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord;

And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. . . .

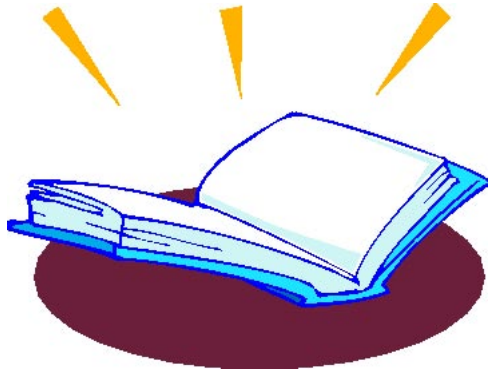
Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble;

Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.' Psalm 32:5-7." —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 726.

Only when we feel true pain for our sins the Lord can grant us His forgiveness; so let us accept by faith His multiple promises, since He never leaves a repented sinner alone.



Lesson 10



SOLOMON'S PRAYER

Copy the petition of Solomon as it is found in 1 Kings 3:9:

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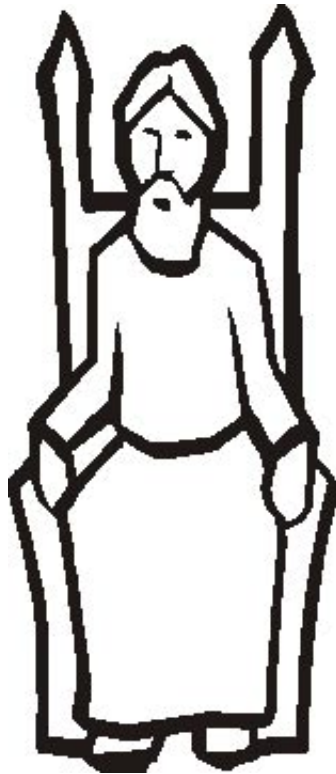
READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Kings 3:5-14.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding." Proverbs 3:13.

"Solomon was anointed and proclaimed king in the closing years of his father David, who abdicated in his favor...

"David knew that God's high purpose for Israel could be met only as rulers and people should seek with unceasing vigilance to attain to the standard placed before them. He knew that in order for his son Solomon to fulfill the trust with which God was pleased to honor him, the youthful ruler must be not merely a warrior, a statesman, and a sovereign, but a strong, good man, a teacher of righteousness, an example of fidelity." —*Prophets and Kings*, pp. 25, 26.



1. What words did David pronounced about government before his death?

Fill in the blanks: " that over

..... must be, ruling in the.....

of " 2 Samuel 23:3.

"Above every earthly good, the king desired wisdom and understanding for the accomplishment of the work God had given him to do. He longed for quickness of mind, for largeness of heart, for tenderness of spirit. That night the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what I shall give thee.' " *—Prophets and Kings, p. 28.*



2. Circle the things Solomon asked for:

- a. Riches
- b. Honour
- c. Wisdom
- d. Obedient heart
- e. Happiness
- f. Long life

" '... 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?

" 'And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.' –*Prophets and Kings*, p. 28.

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

3. What promise did the Lord make to Solomon?

- a. That his life would be longer
- b. That he would get many riches
- c. Honour.

"The name of Jehovah was greatly honored during the first part of Solomon's reign. The wisdom and righteousness revealed by the king bore witness to all nations of the excellency of the attributes of the God whom he served. For a time Israel was as the light of the world, showing forth the greatness of Jehovah. Not in the surpassing wisdom, the fabulous riches, the far-reaching power and fame that were his, lay the real glory of Solomon's early reign; but in the honor that he brought to the name of the God of Israel through a wise use of the gifts of Heaven." –*Prophets and Kings*, pp. 32, 33.

PUT AN X TO THE RIGHT ANSWER OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

4. How many proverbs did Solomon speak? 1 Kings 4:32.

- a. 3.000
- b. 100
- c. 60

5. How many songs did he write? 1 Kings 4:32.

- a. 100
- b. 1.005
- c. 5.000

"Solomon took an especial interest in natural history, but his researchers were not confined to any one branch of learning. Through a diligent study of all created things, both animate and inanimate, he gained a clear conception of the Creator. In the forces of nature, in the mineral and the animal world, and in every tree and shrub and flower, he saw a revelation of God's wisdom; and as he sought to learn more and more, his knowledge of God and his love for Him constantly increased." –*Prophets and Kings*, p. 33.



Lesson 11



GOD'S TEMPLE

READING ASSIGNMENT: Prophets and Kings, chapter 2.

MEMORY VERSE:

"But the Lord is in His holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before Him." Habakkuk 2:20.

"The long-cherished plan of David to erect a temple to the Lord, Solomon wisely carried out. For seven years Jerusalem was filled with busy workers engaged in leveling the chosen site,..." –*Prophets and Kings*, p. 35.

UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- 1. What plan thought up by David was carried out by his son Solomon?**
a. Accumulate many riches. b. Getting ready for war
c. Building a temple

- 2. In whose honor was the temple being built?**
a. The Lord's b. David's c. Solomon's

(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

- 3. The people worked under the leadership of a man named Hiram of Tyre.**

“Simultaneously with the preparation of wood and stone, to which task many thousands were bending their energies, the manufacture of the furnishings for the temple was steadily progressing under the leadership of Hiram of Tyre, ‘a cunning man, endued with understanding,...’
—*Prophets and Kings*, p. 35.

- 4. Draw a picture of what the temple might have looked like.**

“Of surpassing beauty and unrivaled splendor was the palatial building which Solomon and his associates erected for God and His worship. Garnished with precious stones, surrounded by spacious courts with magnificent approaches, and lined with carved cedar and burnished gold, the temple structure, with its brodered hangings and rich furnishings, was a fit emblem of the living church of God on earth,...” —*Prophets and Kings*, p. 36.

At last the temple was completed. Now it was time for it to be dedicated to the service of the Lord.

PUT AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER:

5. In what month was the dedication held?

- a. First b. Seventh c. Twelfth

"The time chosen for the dedication was a most favorable one--the seventh month, when the people from every part of the kingdom were accustomed to assemble at Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles..." --*Prophets and Kings*, p. 37.

CIRCLE THE LETTER THAT PRECEDE TO THE CORRECT ANSWER:

6. What feast was being celebrated at this time?

- a. The feast of Passover
b. The feast of the Pentecost
c. The feast of Tabernacles

"At the appointed time the hosts of Israel, with richly clad representatives from many foreign nations, assembled in the temple courts. The scene was one of unusual splendor. Solomon, with the elders of Israel and the most influential men among the people, had returned from another part of the city, whence they had brought the ark of the testament." --*Prophets and Kings*, p. 38.

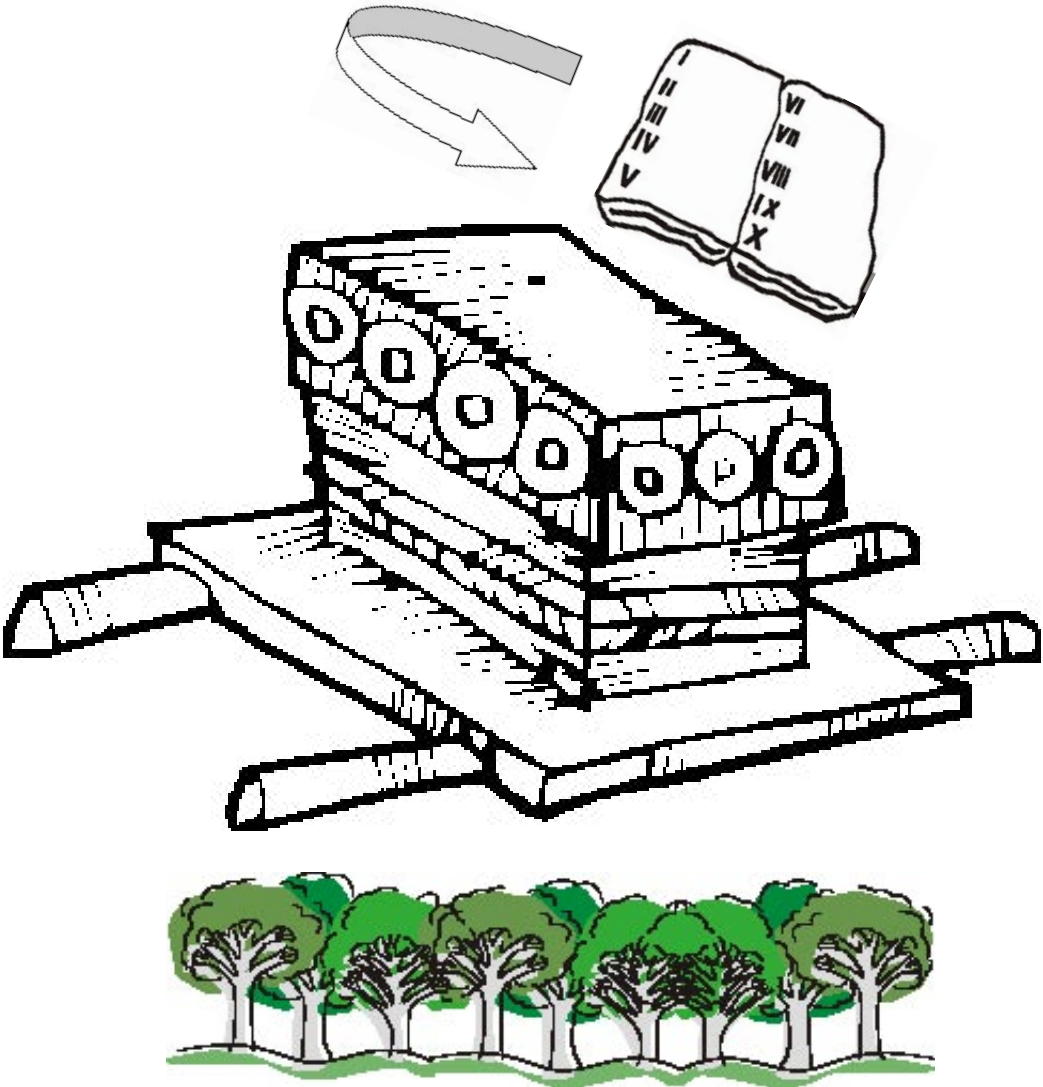
PUT AN X TO THE CORRECT ANSWER:

7. What did the ark contain that was so important?

- a. Altar of incense b. Candlesticks c. Ten Commandment
tables

"As Solomon ended his prayer, 'fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices. The priests could not enter the temple because 'the glory of the Lord had filled the Lord's house'..."

"Then king and people offered sacrifices before the Lord. 'So the king and all the people dedicated the house of God.' 2 Chronicles 7:1-5." -*Prophets and Kings*, p. 45.



Lesson 12



SOLOMON LEARNS A LESSON

READING ASSIGNMENT: 1 Kings 11:1-13.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." Isaiah 55:7.

"While Solomon exalted the law of heaven, God was with him, and wisdom was given him to rule over Israel with impartiality and mercy. At first, as wealth and worldly honor came to him, he remained humble, and great was the extent of his influence..."

"But after a morning of great promise his life was darkened by apostasy." —*Prophets and Kings*, p. 51.

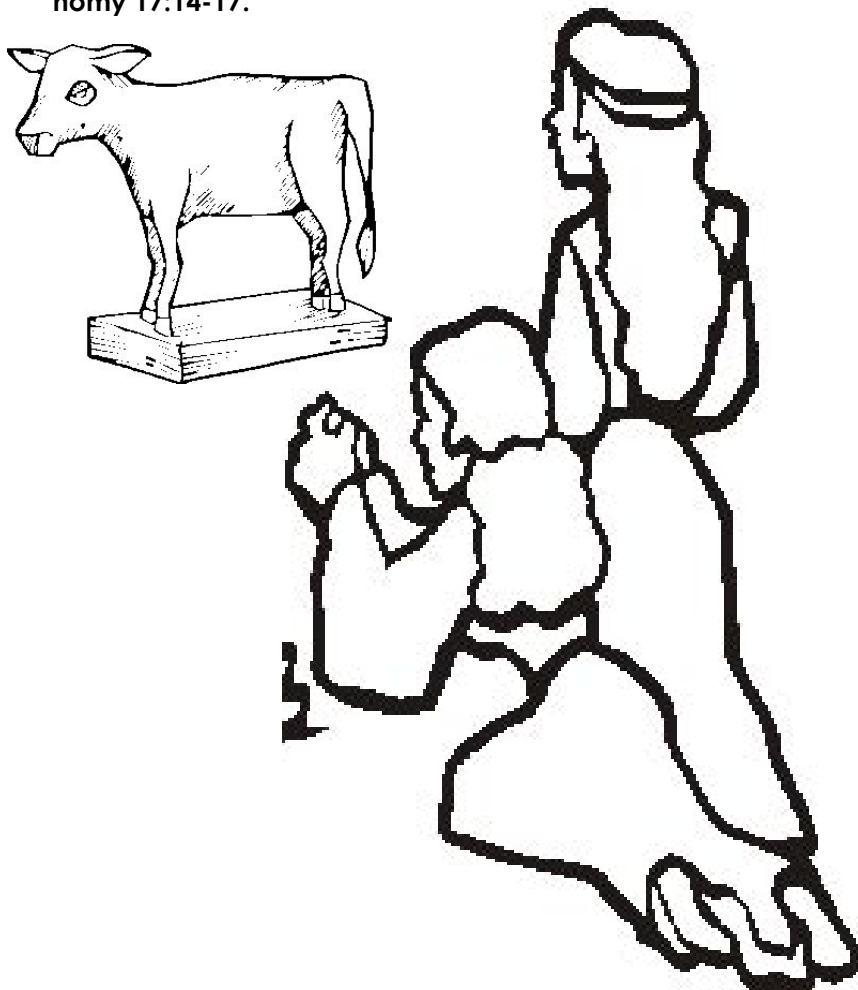
PUT AN X ON THE CORRECT ANSWER:

1. **What had the Lord already indicated hundreds of years before Solomon came up the throne?**
 - a. Not to go into battle
 - b. Not to move the ark
 - c. Not to take a pagan woman as wife

" 'Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the City of David.' 1 Kings 3:1...

"But in forming an alliance with a heathen nation, and sealing the compact by marriage with an idolatrous princess, Solomon rashly disregarded the wise provision that God had made for maintaining the purity of His people. The hope that his Egyptian wife might be converted was but a feeble excuse for the sin." —*Prophets and Kings*, p. 53.

2. But what had God ordered already through Moses? Deuteronomy 17:14-17.



UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

3. David and Saul had done before, in whom did Solomon now put his trust?

- a. Himself b. Others c. God

"His wives exerted a strong influence over him and gradually prevailed on him to unite with them in their worship. Solomon had disregarded the instruction that God had given to serve as a barrier against apostasy, and now he gave himself up to the worship of the false gods." –*Prophets and Kings*, pp. 56, 57.

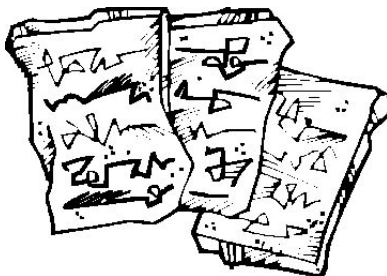
(T) TRUE OR (F) FALSE:

4. Solomon was not sorry for his sin.

"By the spirit of inspiration the king recorded for after generations the history of his wasted years with their lessons of warning....

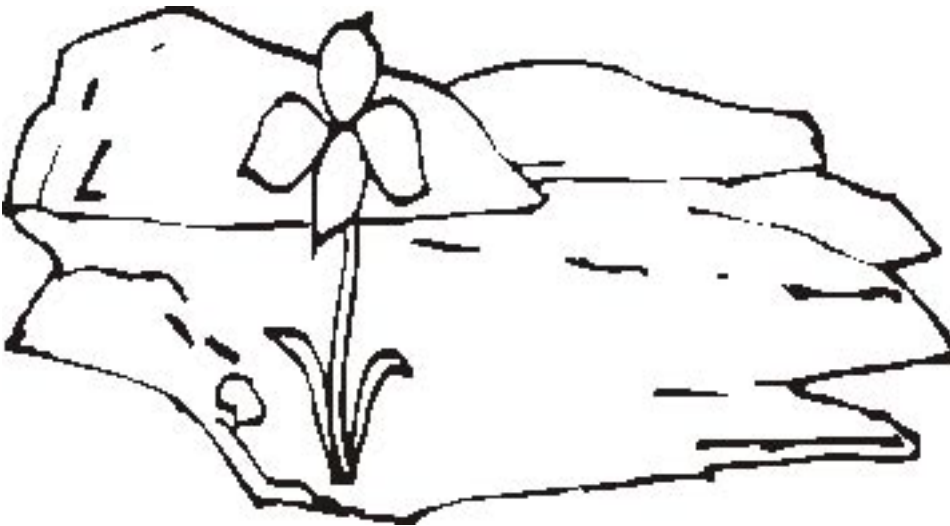
"Solomon's later writings reveal that as he realized more and still more the wickedness of his course, he gave special attention to warning the youth against falling into the errors that had led him to squander for nought Heaven's choicest gifts...

"With touching pathos he wrote concerning the privileges and responsibilities before the youth in God's service." –*Prophets and Kings*, p. 79, 80.



5. Unscramble the following words:

- a. VIDDA
- b. HAIRU
- c. OOMONLS
- d. OJAB
- e. THNNAA
- f. ARIHM



Lesson 13



THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON

Solomon was a wise and great man. While he trusted in God, he was a great king of Israel. In his wisdom he wrote many important things for all to learn and heed.

1. What three books of the Bible did Solomon write?

a.

b.

c.

2. Next an episode is narrated in which Solomon give a solution to a difficult problem:

Two women were fighting over a baby. Each claimed that the baby belonged to her. Solomon was confused. In order to tell which mother was telling the truth, Solomon asked for a sword and then asked for the baby. He pretended that he was going to cut the baby in half and give one half to one mother, and the other half to the second mother. "No!" screamed the real mother. "Give the baby to the other woman!" The other woman heartlessly said that the baby should be divided. In this way, Solomon knew who the real mother was. It was the woman who was willing to give the baby up rather than to see it

die. Really we should say, that Solomon solve the problem in a admirable way.



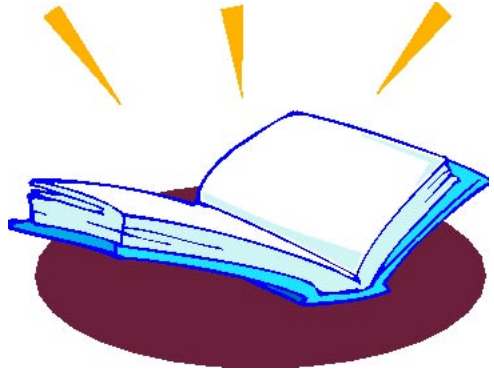
3. Match in the right way, the first and the second part of some of the proverbs of Solomons.

Look up: Proverbs 11:30; 15:1; 17:22; 20:11; 22:6; 11:13; 3:13; and 22:1.

1. He that winneth souls	a. whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.
2. A soft answer turneth away wrath	b. good like a medicine.
3. A merry heart doeth	c. and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
4. Even a tittle child is known by his doings	d. but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.
5. Train up a child in the way he should go,	e. but grievous words stir up anger.
6. A talebearer revealeth secrets;	f. the man that getteth understanding.
7. Happy is the man that findeth wisdom and	g. great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.
8. A good name is rather to be chosen than	h. is wise.



Lesson 14



NATURE AND WISDOM

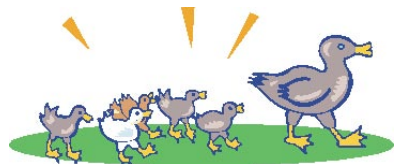
Reading Assignment: Proverbs 6: 6 - 8; 28: 15; 30: 30, 27, 19; 27: 27, 23; 26: 2.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions, When they couch in their dens, and abide in the covert to lie in wait? Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat." Job 38: 39 - 41.

"Many illustrations from nature are used by the Bible writers, and as we observe the things of the natural world, we shall be enabled, under the guiding of the Holy Spirit, more fully to understand the lessons of God's word." –*Education*, p. 120.

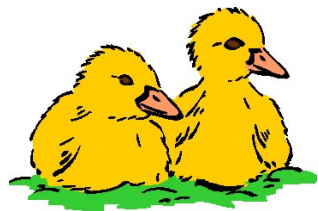
" Nature is full of lessons of the love of God. Rightly understood, these lessons lead to the Creator." –*Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students*, p. 188.



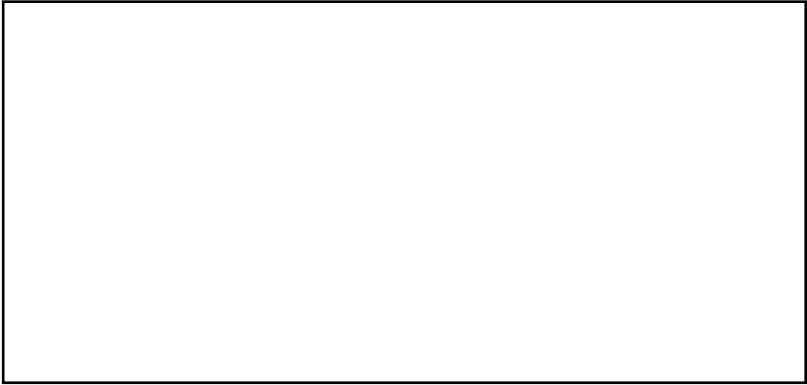
COMPLETE AND MATCHES

Place the name of the animal or animals with its verse

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2. Draw an ant and place the verse that corresponds to it.

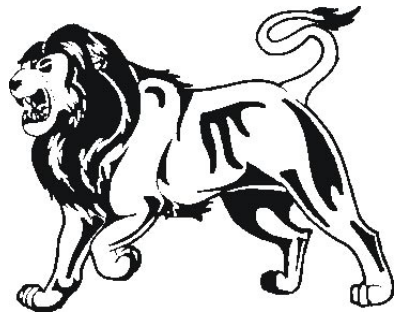


3. Place the verse that mention this animal.



4. Copy the text of the verse that mentions swallow.

5. Place the verse that mentions this animal.



6. Draw a little sheep and place the verse that corresponds to it.

