

**SABBATH SCHOOL**  
INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS  
FOR SEPTEMBER 28.

Review of the Preceding Twelve Lessons  
For the Third Quarter, Deut. viii., 1-10  
—Golden Text, Deut. viii., 18—Intro-  
duction and Summary.

Introduction.—During the past quarter we have had several important lessons. The Lord certainly put forth every effort on behalf of His people. Their temporal and spiritual necessities were attended to. Bread was provided, the commandments were given, idolatry punished, a house erected for Jehovah, intemperance punished, the promised land viewed by chosen men, a prophet like Moses promised, and then, like Moses, the great lawgiver, was promised to his reward without having entered upon his earthly inheritance.

Summary.—Lesson 1. Topic: Heavenly Kingdom. Place: Eblim. The wilderness of Sin. The Israelites journeyed from Eblim to the wilderness of sin; they murmured against Moses and Aaron; they feared they would starve in the wilderness and longed to be back in Egypt; the Lord promised to send bread from heaven; directions were given regarding the gathering of the manna; the Sabbath was to be observed; the Lord promised to give them, also; they were murmuring against the Lord, not against Moses and Aaron.

Lesson 2. Topic: God's covenant with man. Place: Mount Sinai. God spake to the people with His own voice and gave them the ten commandments. This lesson embraces the first four. 1. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. 2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image. 3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain. 4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

Lesson 3. Topic: The duties we owe to our fellow-men. Place: Mount Sinai. This lesson embraces the last six of the ten commandments. 5. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land. 6. Thou shalt not kill. 7. Thou shalt not commit adultery. 8. Thou shalt not steal. 9. Thou shalt not bear false witness. 10. Thou shalt not covet. The fifth is the only one with a specific promise attached. The tenth deals wholly with the inner life. Covetousness is the great sin of this age.

Lesson 4. Topic: Israel's idol worship. Place: Mount Sinai. After the ten commandments were given to the children of Israel the Lord called Moses up into the mount, where he remained for forty days. The Israelites persuaded Aaron to make a golden calf, which they worshipped. Moses came from the mount, broke the tables of the law, called those who were on the Lord's side to come to him and punished the people for their great sin.

Lesson 5. Topic: Setting up the tabernacle. Place: Mount Sinai. Moses commanded that the tabernacle be set up; the ark and the furniture was to be put in the tabernacle; the altar of burnt offering and the laver were to be put in the court before the tabernacle; Aaron and his sons to be washed with water; Aaron was to be clad with the holy garments, anointed and sanctified; all was done exactly as God commanded.

Lesson 6. Topic: The consequences of drunkenness. Place: Mount Sinai. Nadab and Abihu, Aaron's sons, put strange fire in their censers and went in before the Lord; the fire of the Lord devoured them; Aaron commanded not to drink wine or strong drink. God puts a difference between the holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean.

Lesson 7. Topic: Leaving Sinai for Canaan. Place: Mount Sinai. Paran. The cloud is taken up from off the tabernacle, and the children of Israel leave the wilderness of Sinai and journey to Paran. Moses invites Hobab to accompany them, but he refuses to do so; some things indicate that he changed his mind and went with them. The Lord led His people by day and by night.

Lesson 8. Topic: The land of Canaan. Place: Kadesh Barnea. One man from each tribe was sent to search the land of Canaan; they were gone forty days; they brought back some of the fruit of the land; they reported that the land was good, but that the people were giants, and that the cities were walled; only Caleb and Joshua thought they were able to go up and possess the land.

Lesson 9. Topic: Saving Israel from a just punishment. Place: The valley of Arabah. The Israelites are obliged to go to war; some of the Israelites were taken prisoners; they vow to the Lord; the Canaanites are delivered into their hands; journeying from Mount Hor; the people are discouraged; they murmur against Moses; the Lord punishes them by sending fiery serpents among them; the people come to Moses for help; Moses goes to God, and is directed to make a serpent and put it on a pole, and "every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live."

Lesson 10. Topic: True and false worship. Place: East of the Jordan, opposite Jericho. The abominations of the heathen are enumerated and positively forbidden by the Almighty. The Lord promises to raise up a Prophet from their midst, unto whom they should harken. The Lord warns false prophets.

Lesson 11. Topic: The blessing and the curse. Place: East of the Jordan, opposite Jericho. God's commandments are not hidden, and are not afar off; before every one is set "life and good, and death and evil;" the commandment is given to love God and walk in His ways; a blessing is promised to those who do, but a curse is pronounced upon those who worship other gods and serve them; all are urged to choose life.

Lesson 12. Topic: Closing scenes in the life of Moses. Place: Mount Pisgah. Moses goes up from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah; the Lord showed him the land of promise, but told him that he should not go over; Moses died and the Lord buried him; Moses was 120 years old when he died; the children of Israel wept for him thirty days. Moses for forty years in the wilderness had borne great responsibilities, suffered and endured many privations, and died just before Israel entered the promised possession. God's ministers and people may spend many weary years in self-sacrificing labors to accomplish a glorious work, and die in full view of its completion. Death does not end their work. Joshua who are "full of the spirit of wisdom," are raised up by the Lord, and set apart by Him to complete the unfinished work of His departed servants.

**Roman Philosopher's Words.**  
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The British Colonial Office, meantime, is considering a new coat of arms design by Lockwood Kipling, father of the poet and novelist, for the new Orange River Colony, which was formerly the Orange Free State. The coat of arms consists of a plain heraldic shield bearing an orange tree and above it a Tudor rose; on the ground are wavy lines, the symbol of water, typifying the name Bloemfontein. Two springboks support the shield.

**Gondolas on the Thames.**

Gondolas on the Thames are sometimes referred to as novelties; but they were already there in the reign of Charles II. "Upon the Thames," says Pepys, in 1661, "I saw the king's new pleasure boat, and also two gondaloes that are lately brought, which are very rich and fine." This was how gondolas were then written; and another testimony of their presence may be found in Davenant's expression: "Step into one of your peaced boats, whose tilts are not so sumptuous as the roofs of the gondaloes." The latest importer of a gondola to the Thames has imported with it from Venice a gondolier, who—as is convenient in a climate that does not allow river work for a great part of the year—is also something of a cook. Five years ago there was only one gondola on the Thames; but now the number is increased, thus fulfilling the program of the economical councillor in a provincial town, who, on the proposal that a gondola should be placed on the municipal ornamental water, suggested that the town should acquire a pair and let them breed.—London Chronicle.

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