

Lesson No. (8)

Crossing the Red Sea

References

Exodus 14.

Notes for Servants

- ★ The Lord rescued His people from the land of bondage and slavery. The Lord brought them out of Egypt and led them by the hand of Moses.
- ★ The Lord Jesus liberated us from the bondage of Satan and allowed us to share the glorious freedom of the children of God. We have died to sin, how then can we go on living in it?

Objectives

General: God's Power and His care for us.

Specific:

The children will be able to...

- A. Learn that God has great power; more than what they can imagine.
- B. Feel secure everywhere they go when they stay in God's company.
- C. Know that God can protect us even in the middle of a disaster.

Bible Verse

" Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord. "

(Exodus 14:13)

Teaching Aids

1. A rod and an angel holding a sword.
2. The servant shows the children beautiful means of illustrations, such as a picture of the divided sea and another picture of the pillar of light which gave light to the people.
3. Let the children take part in the lesson by acting parts of it every now and then.

Instructions

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Who remembers the verse?
- (3) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.

Story Time

During the last night when the Lord chose to send the last plague, He said to Moses, "Every family shall kill a lamb. You shall take its blood and with it, you shall sprinkle the two door posts of the houses for on that very night, my angel shall slay every first born of the Egyptians. However, when I see the blood of the lamb on your doors, I shall pass by."

At midnight the angel of the Lord passed through Egypt and slew every first born from the King's first born to the first born of the labourers. So, Pharaoh freed the people. The Israelites then left Egypt. They took their cattle and money with them. They also took the bones of Joseph with them. The Lord's angel went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, by night in a pillar of flame, to give them light.

1. What is the tenth plague?

2. When did Pharaoh free the people?

It was not easy for the people to have complete trust in the Lord. They thought, "The Red Sea is holding us back." As soon as the people left Egypt, Pharaoh began to regret letting the Israelites depart. So, he went after them with chariots, horsemen and his whole army. When the people of the Lord heard the chariots of Pharaoh, they cried to God for help. They all cried, young and old, "Pharaoh is coming with his army towards us, where shall we go?" Moses calmed them saying, "Fear not. Stand firm and see the salvation of the Lord. The Lord will fight for you and you have only to be still." The Lord said to Moses, "Tell the people of Israel to go forward." Moses answered, "How can it be Lord? The Red Sea is before us." The Lord replied, "Lift up your rod, stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. There will be a road in the water. The people will go on dry ground through the sea." Then, the angel of God who went before the host of Israel moved and went behind them and the pillar of cloud moved before them. To the Egyptians, it made the night darker; to the Israelites it gave light. Moses stretched out his rod over the sea and immediately the waters divided and stood like walls on either side. There was a dry road in the sea. The whole matter was strange and unusual. The people believed. They were encouraged and marched through the midst of the sea.

1. Why did Pharaoh follow the people?

2. How were the people rescued?

At the dawn of the next day, the Egyptians reached the sea. They were amazed that their enemies marched through the dry land between waters. Pharaoh ordered his soldiers to pursue the Israelites and went in after them in the midst of the sea. The Lord looked down upon the host of the Egyptians and threw them into a panic. He made the wheels of their chariots get stuck so that they moved with great difficulty. The horsemen could not go forward. The Egyptians cried, "Let's get out of here. The Lord is fighting for the Israelites against us." When the Israelites passed peacefully to the other side of the sea, Moses stretched out his hand over the sea and the water came back over the Egyptians who drowned. Not one of the Egyptians were left. The people glorified God and they stood in awe before the Lord who saved them.

1. Who discomfited Pharaoh and his army?

2. What does Pharaoh stand for?

Discussion

1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.

2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.