THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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fst, 1903, by American Press Association.] 11. And Samuel came to Saul, and Saul and unto him: Blessed be thou of the Lord. I have performed the command-ment of the Lord.

In our previous studies in this pottion of Scripture, in 1889 and 1895, we began at verse 10; now we are advised to study from verse 10, so it is prac-tically the same. Concerning the Lord's repentings (verses 11-35) note werse 29, "The strength of Israel will not lie nor repent," and Num. xxiii, 19, "God is not a man that He should lie, nor the Son of Man that He should repent." God never changes His mind, but always does just what He knew from all eternity that He would do. He knew how Saul would turn out, bow long He would have to bear with him, and when He would put David in his place. He comes to a place always foreseen when He changes His line broken out yet. Several encounters of action, and to us He is said to repent. Man, on the contrary, repents when he changes his mind and does what he had not intended to do. In zhapter xill we see how Saul began to to foolishly and by disobedience forfeited the kingdom (xill, 13, 14).

14, 15. The people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God, and the rest we have atterly destroyed.

The command was to utterly destroy all (verse 3), yet for professedly a good sbject he puts his own construction on It and disobeys the plain command. stand only so much All things are naked and open to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do, and all sin, unless confessed, forsaken and forgiven, will be sure to find us out (Heb. iv, 13; Num. xxxii, 23; I Chron. xxviii, 9). Saul did not seem to understand that God wants nothing from the enemy either for service or sacrifice.

15, 17. Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay and I will tell there what the Lord hath said to me this night. And he said unto

Then he reminded him how when little In his own sight the Lord had anointed him king over Israel. It is a good thing transit a lot of those medium pianos for always to be little in one's own estimation, for we remember how Uzziah was marvelously helped till he was strong, but then he fell (II Chron. xxvi, 15, 16). -Our highest place is lying low at our Bedeemer's feet that the Lord alone may be exalted. What a blessed man was Samuel, who talked with God and with whom God talked and who sought only to know the mind of God and do it. Why not say just now and stand to it, "My Father, I will, by Thy grace, seek henceforth in all things to know Thy will, and do as Thou hast said?" Why should not all believers in daily life thus walk with God?

7 15, 13. Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the Lord, but didst fly apon the spoll and didst evil in the sight of the Lord.

son, but obey. The reason of the command given to Saul is found in Ex. xvii, 8-16, but being long suffering and not willing that any should perish He uned given them 400 years in which to repent. Mercy always precedes judgment. All the failures in the Lord's service set before us in strong contrast Him who never failed and who loved to say so often, "The Futher sent me." He could also truly say, "I do always those things that please Him" (John viii, 16, 18, 26, 29). It is our privilege, as it was Gideon's, to go day by day in the strength of these words: "Have not I sent thee? Surely I will be with thee" (Judg. vi, 14, 16). And it is for us simply and cheerfully to obey without questioning (Isa. 1, 18, 19). 20, 21 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yes. I have obeyed the voice of the Lord. *** but the people took of the spoil *** to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God in Ollgal. He confesses to have saved the king. who was certainly included in the or- Block. der to destroy, and yet insists that be had obeyed the voice of the Lord. It is the old story, so common today, of perverting the word of the Lord (Jer. xxiii, 86) and of thinking that He does not mean just what He says. Happy would it be for all Bible students and teachers if they would take the word of God to mean just what it says, and in the light of fulfilled prophecy read prophecy yet unfulfilled and be obedient God's thoughts are as far above ours as beaven is above the earth, and all our thoughts must be brought into captivity to the obedience of Christ (Isa. Iv, 8, 9; II Cor. x, 5).

We must first receive His mercy, then we can give Him ourselves a living sacrifice. See carefully Hos. vi. 6; Matt. ix, 13; xil, 7. Sacrifice from the disobedient is not acceptable to God. This is the teaching of Jer. vil, 21-23.

23. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord He hath also rejected thee from being king.

See also verse 26 and note that Saul is said to be guilty of rebellion and stubbornness. Whoever rejects the word of God makes Him a liar and cuts himself off from all light here and hereafter (I John v, 10; Isa. vill, 20 B. V.).

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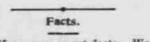
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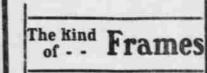
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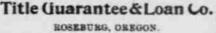
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