Teacher's Note:

As the feast of Halloween approaches, it is good to tell your child about the origin of this holiday, All Hallow's Eve, the evening before All Saints' Day. This holiday has been so commercialized by modern society that it had become a day when children dress up as monsters and beg for candy. The origin of the day is much less sinister. For a real novel idea for a costume, perhaps your child would like to dress up as St. Francis or St. Clare, St. Peter or St. Joan of Arc. On the class closest to November 1st, we will spend most of our class time talking about different saints. We will have some treats to honor the saints.

This lesson brings us to the end of the first unit in our textbook. Your child will probably bring home a short test. This will give you an opportunity to see if your child has understood the concepts and scripture passages that we have studied during September and October. If you have been doing some of the home activities and checking your child's homework each week, your child should not have any difficulty with this test.