thirst. Hagar, imagining that he was going to die, laid him under a bush, and sat down over against him a good way off, as it were a bow-shot; for she said, "Let me not see the death of my child." And she sat over against him, and lifted up her voice, and wept. And God heard the voice of the lad: and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, "What aileth thee, Hagar? Fear not: for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is. Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation." And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink. And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer. And his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt; and to him were born twelve sons, who became the heads of twelve tribes, from whom some of the families of the wandering Arabs to this day claim to be descended.

## LESSON XXXI.—CHAPTER II.

## TRIAL OF ABRAHAM'S FAITH.

jus-ti-fies ful-fil-ment hes-i-tate Mo-ri-ah mys-te-ri-ous va-ri-ance burnt-offer-ing an-nounc-ed ac-com-plish ap-pall-ing sol-emn sac-ri-fice He-brew neigh-bour-ing sus-pect-ing pa-tri-arch in-con-sist-ent Je-ho-vah-ji-reh

Abraham is frequently styled the father of the faithful, because his faith was tried very remarkably on various occasions, and not found wanting. What trial of faith could be greater than his, when