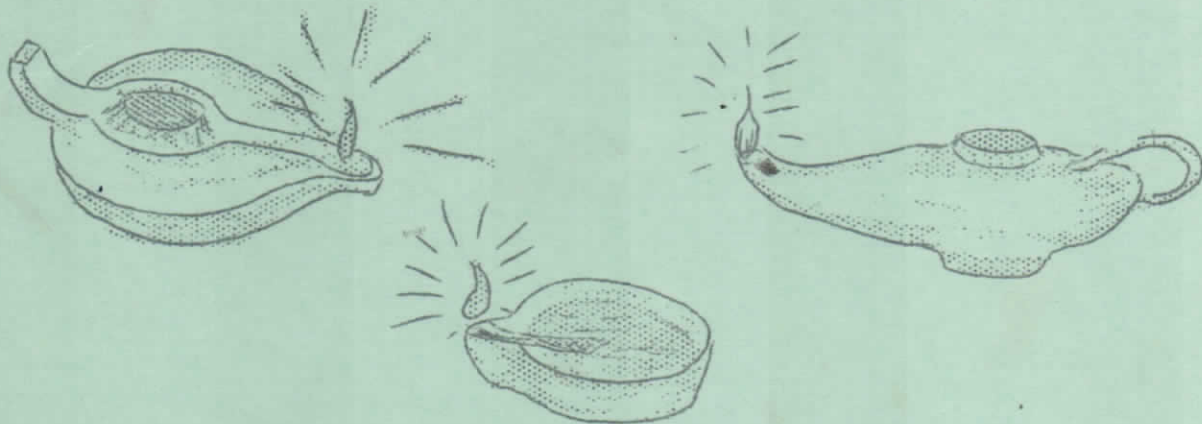


OLIVE OIL LAMP



One olive tree gave 10 to 15 gallons of olive oil. The olive oil was used in lamps and for torches.



The lamps could be quite simple. A wick must be in some olive oil in a saucer. At one end this wick must be raised up out of the oil. The lamp was lighted here. The lamp was kept lighted all of the time.

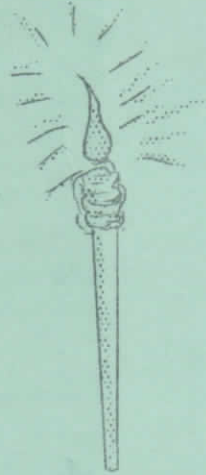
It would take 32 lamps like this to give as much light as one small light bulb*. Lamps like this were sometimes hung in the room. Usually they were placed on lamp stands.

*40 watt



TURN CARD OVER

To make a torch, the people soaked rags in olive oil. Then they wrapped this around a wooden stick. This was lit and carried out into the streets at night.



Jesus knew how important these were in every home.

He said,

You do not light a lamp
and put it under a bushel
but on a stand.

If you know God, you are God's light. Do not hide your light
either. (Matthew 5:15-16)

