

is vexed. Baby is asleep, but he has failed to realize this. What was right one moment was apparently wrong the next. Let us put ourselves in the child's place; let us grown-ups play more with the children, that we may understand them better and that they, in turn, may feel our sympathy and cooperate with us, and thus become helpful boys and girls, loving to think and do for others. It may mean sacrifice of other things, but what is more important than to train up in the way they should go the little ones whom Jesus, in His brief, busy life on earth, found time to caress and bless?

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### A New Year Song

The bright New Year has come, you know,  
And January's here;  
The world again is white with snow,  
And January's here;  
All the ponds are frozen over,  
Jack Frost comes—the jolly rover;  
Winter joys we will discover,  
A Happy New Year to all!

We hear the merry sleigh bells ring,  
And January's here;  
Of winter's joys we all will sing,  
And January's here;  
What care we, the winds are blowing,  
And inside the fire is glowing?  
For the New Year comes with snowing,  
A Happy New Year to all!

### Some Bible Animals

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#### THE LAMB

Who doesn't love to see a lamb, whether playing happily about the mother sheep in the pasture or cuddling trustfully in the arms of the strong shepherd, whose business it is to look after it? In many parts of the world we still have shepherds who spend much of their time during the day with the flock, and see that they are carefully shut up during the night. In Bible times there were many shepherds, and so much were they with the sheep, both by day and night, that they soon knew each member of the flock, not only by sight, but often by name as well.

All through the Bible the lamb is used as a picture of gentleness and meekness and innocence.

In ancient times a lamb, spotlessly white and free of blemish of any sort, was one of the very best gifts that could be offered as a sacrifice for sin. By shedding the blood of one of these innocent little creatures the Israelites asked God to take away their sins and accept the offering as a sign that they wished to do better.

So Jesus, when He gave up His life for the sins of the world, did so that we might be given another chance. Do you wonder that He is referred to as "the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world?"

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### Our Lessons for This Quarter

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They begin with a wonderful day—the day that Jesus talked with His loving disciples for the last time on earth, and, while He talked with them, was taken up out of their sight. Then follows the story of a still more wonderful day, when, with a sound as of a rushing mighty wind and with tongues of fire upon each of them, the Holy Spirit from heaven came upon these same disciples.

Peter was the leader of the disciples, and through the new power which the coming down of the Holy Spirit gave him, three thousand people were brought to believe in Jesus in one day. That is Lesson Three. Lesson Four tells how that same Spirit of God makes us glad and happy children of the heavenly Father.

Peter makes a man instantly well and strong and able to walk, who had been a helpless cripple all his life. Then he tells the people that it was by the power of Jesus Christ that he had done this wonderful thing. The people rejoice, but their rulers are jealous and angry and forbid Peter and his friend and helper, John, to speak about Jesus any more. They reply that they must do what God tells them to do, and not what men tell them. These are Lessons Five and Six.

Lesson Seven, from one of Paul's letters, teaches that, like Jesus, we should be very humble and should help others all we can.