

GOOD MORNING!

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Good morning! Good morning!
 We come; we meet,
 In love we greet
 Our smiling school-mates, and repeat:—
 Good morning! good morning!
 We bow and sing:—Good morning!
 We greet our loving teacher too.
 Our Father, God, makes all things new:
 The gardens fair, the leafy trees,
 The singing birds, the laughing breeze,
 The shining sun, the sky so blue,
 And so we come to greet him too,
 And sing, with grace,
 Good morning! good morning!
 We sing to him
 Good morning!

We come, brimful of happy ways,
 And bring ourselves, our God to praise:
 We bring our bodies, pure and free,
 The temple of his grace to be,
 Our hands and feet to serve him well,
 Our voices sweet his name to tell;
 Our minds to learn, our hearts to love,
 By these to win the world and prove
 Heaven may be here, for Christ is King,
 And so to all the world we sing:
 Good morning! good morning!
 We bow and sing:
 Good morning!
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LESSON NOTES.

FIRST QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE ACTS AND EPISTLES.

LESSON IV. [Jan 24.]

THE LAME MAN HEALED.

Acts 3. 1-16. Memory verses, 13-16.

GOLDEN TEXT.

His name, through faith in his name,
 hath made this man strong.—Acts 3. 16.

QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

How did Jesus still live on earth? In his disciples.

What did the apostles do in his name?

Where did Peter and John go one day?

What offering was made at this time in the day? A lamb was sacrificed.

Whom did they see at the gate Beautiful?

What did he ask of them?

What did they give him?

Do you think he was surprised?

Would he have been cured if he had not tried to walk?

Do you think the beggar had faith in the name of Jesus?

What did the people think who saw him?

Why did Peter and John not want to be praised?

To whom did all the glory belong?

Where did Peter preach another sermon?

Whom did he tell the Jews they had killed? The Prince of Life.

WONDERFUL TRUTHS.

That Jesus lives now in hearts that love him.

That he can do great works through us.
 That he has some strange power to give us. Shall we take it!

LESSON V. [Jan. 31.]

THE BOLDNESS OF PETER AND JOHN.

Acts 4. 1-14. Memory verses, 10-12.

GOLDEN TEXT.

There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.—Acts 4. 12.

QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

Where did Peter preach his first sermon?
 Where was the second preached?

Who heard it?

What did they do to Peter and John?

Before whom were they brought the next day? The great Jewish council.

Who belonged to it?

Who was the high priest at this time?

Who came and stood near Peter and John during the trial?

What question was asked the apostles?

What was Peter's answer?

Why was Peter no longer afraid? The Holy Spirit gave him courage.

What did he say about the only name?

What surprised the judges?

Why did they not punish the apostles?

What did they do?

THE ONLY NAME.

"Jesus! the name to sinners dear,
 The name to sinners given;
 It scatters all their guilty fear;
 It turns their hell to heaven."

DICK'S DISCOVERY.

It was one of Dick's crooked days, when nothing would happen quite straight, or else whatever happened it looked crooked to him. In the first place, the boys did not come down to the boat as early as he had expected, then, when he was just ready to push off, his little sister Jessie ran down and wanted to go with him.

"Oh, we don't want any girls," said Dick. "We are going off to play 'Robinson Crusoe.'"

"Three of us?" laughed Charlie. "I guess you had better call it 'Swiss Family Robinson.'"

"Well, then, I can go, for there was a Mrs. Swiss-Family-Robinson," declared Jessie, and Charlie helped her into the boat.

By the time he had pushed across the pond, he discovered that Fred had brought his little boat along, and that he and the others were more interested in finding a good place to sail it than in discovering a suitable spot for a desert island.

Usually, Dick would have been interested too, but just now he did not like the idea of any one having plans but himself. He felt cross, and the whole day seemed likely to be spoiled.

"I want to play we are on a desert island," he said crossly. "The boat is mine, and I brought you over here, but it seems I can't please myself."

"Can't, eh? Better give it up, then, and try to please somebody else," said Fred.

The remark was made teasingly, but it almost seemed to Dick that another voice than Fred's had spoken it, so suddenly did it recall the last Sunday's verse: "Even Christ did not please himself." Dick looked soberly down at the water for a moment or two while he thought about it, and decided to accept the advice, however it had been given. Then a shout from Jessie and Charlie told him how beautifully the tiny vessel was sailing, and he forgot everything in watching it. After a time they concluded to build a little canal for its accommodation, and, that completed, somebody devised the scheme of adding locks, and the hours flew so busily and happily that it was time to go home before any of them had thought of such a thing.

When Dick's father asked laughingly at the table if the 'exploring expedition' had made any important discovery, Dick promptly answered, "Yes, sir."

But it was only to his mother that he afterward whispered: "I discovered that when a boy stops thinking about just having his own way, and tries to please other folks, he will have a good time before he knows it."

GIVING THE HEART.

"MOTHER," said a little boy who had numbered only three summers, "what does it mean to give your heart to God?"

The mother put down her sewing, and looking at her boy, said: "Charlie, do you love anybody?"

With a look of surprise the child answered: I love you, I love my father, and my sister, and Henry."

"Then you give your heart to your father, to Henry, to your sister, and to me, and you show that love by doing all you can for us, and obeying our commands."

The child's face looked bright with a new thought.

"And you ought," continued the mother, "to love God best, because he gave you your father and mother, and all your friends and comforts; and he gave you his dear Son, Jesus Christ, who came from heaven to die that you may live forever."

"I do want to give my heart to him, mother, how shall I do it?"

The mother taught him to tell Jesus his wants, and led him by her example into the good way. His child-life did not disappoint her hopes. He always tried to live like Jesus. Charles is now one of the best of men, and he says he had one of the best of mothers.