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John's work was to prepare the people for the coming of Jesus. He had to clear away their old thoughts about God's laws, and tell them of God's new way of taking away their sins through Jesus, the great one from heaven.

The next day, when John was again baptizing in the river Jordan, he saw Jesus coming towards him. John pointed to him and said the words of our Golden Text: "Behold, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world!"

When Jesus is called the lamb of God, it is meant that he is pure and gentle, and that it is because he died that our sins can be forgiven and we can have our hearts changed so that we shall be like him in all things.

The people said, "How do you know that this is Jesus?" John told them that one day Jesus came to him and asked to be baptized, for Jesus always did what he wished his followers to do. John had baptized him, and, when Jesus was coming up out of the water, John saw a pure white dove coming down from heaven and resting upon Jesus, and God told John that the one upon whom the dove rested was the one who would baptize people with the Holy Spirit. This was Jesus who came down from heaven.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Tell what John the Baptist looked like.
2. What did he tell the people to do?
3. What did he do for those who were sorry

for their sins? 4. Of what was the baptism a sign? 5. Who came from Jerusalem to question John? 6. Who did some think John was? 7. Who came to John while he was baptizing the people? 8. What did John say about Jesus? 9. How did John know who Jesus was? 10. With what was Jesus to baptize? 11. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who has borne all our sins, and has cleansed every stain. Amen.

—Hymn 549, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day That

JESUS WILL TAKE AWAY MY SIN

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—4. Can you see God? No. I cannot see God, but He always sees me. 5. Why can you not see God? Because God is a Spirit, and has not a body as we have.

The Question on Missions

2. What is the Hwaiking Hospital like? It consists of a group of buildings or wards, where the sick people live when being treated. It is divided into two parts, one for men, and one for women and children. There is also a dispensary, an operating room and two chapels or waiting rooms, one for the men, and one for the women and children.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The lesson for to-day teaches us that we should follow Jesus, our loving Saviour. Color the picture.

