

troubled them greatly, for there was no one in the prison to tell them the meaning of them.

"Why are you looking so sad?" asked Joseph kindly. "Tell me your dreams, for surely my God is able to show me the meaning of them." Then the chief butler said, "In my dream I was again holding the king's drinking-cup, and looking up I saw beside me a vine with three branches which all at once began to bud and blossom and bear fruit, and I plucked off the grapes and squeezed them into the cup and passed it to the king." And Joseph said, "The branches are three days. At the end of that time the king will bring you out of prison and you shall stand behind his chair as before."

Now the butler could not thank Joseph

enough for what he had done, and he promised to remember Joseph and speak to the king for him, when he should be set free.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where was Joseph taken by the merchants? 2. To whom was he sold as a slave? 3. How did his master honor him? 4. How did Joseph behave in prison? 5. What was his work there? 6. Who helped him in all that he did? 7. Who were one day brought in as prisoners? 8. Who noticed that they were sad and unhappy? 9. What did Joseph say about his God? 10. What was the butler's dream? 11. What did Joseph tell him was the meaning of it? 12. What did he ask his friend to do for him? 13. What is the Golden Text?

Working for Jesus

"Mama, does my sewing help you?" asked Lucy, as she sat hemming a towel.

"Yes, indeed, darling," said her mother.

"Then it is pleasant to sew," said Lucy.

"I will tell you a pleasanter way still," said mother, taking Lucy on her knee. "You find it sweet to do things for me, but would it not be even better to do them for Jesus?"

Just then nurse opened the door.

"Will Lucy come and amuse Charlie?" she asked.

"Yes, I will," answered Lucy at once, and giving mother a smile, which meant, "I know whom it is for," she went to play with her little brother. After that, Lucy found plenty of work to do for Jesus.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

Always to be true to God



Primary Catechism—50. What happened at the end of forty days? After forty days Jesus went up to heaven. **51.** What is Jesus now doing for us in heaven? He intercedes for us, and He rules over all things for our good.

Shorter Catechism—97. What is required to the worthy receiving of the Lord's supper?

A. It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

Lesson Hymn

Jesus, be Thou my guide,
My steps attend;
O keep me near Thy side,
Be Thou my friend.

Be Thou my shield and sun,
My constant guard,
And, when my work is done,
My great reward.

Amen.

—Hymn 588, Book of Praise