Paul's Second Missionary Journey-The Philippian Jailer

feet, crying out, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved ?" And they answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you and your family shall be saved." Then they preached the gospel to him and his household, and they all believed and were baptized. Afterwards, the jailer brought Paul and Silas from the prison into his own house, and when he had washed and bound up their wounds, he set food before them.

Next day, the rulers, who knew that they had done an unjust act in beating the apostles, sent and told the jailer to let them go. But the rulers did not know that Paul and Silas, though Jews, were also free citizens of Rome, whom it was unlawful to beat with rods, or to punish at all without a fair trial. So, when the message of the rulers came to Paul, he said, "Although we are free citizens of Rome, we were publicly beaten and imprisoned without a trial, and now they set us free secretly ! No indeed; let these rulers come themselves and bring us out."

The rulers were much frightened when they heard this message, for they were in danger of losing their office for having beaten Roman citizens, and hurrying to the jailer's house, they humbly begged Paul and Silas to leave their city. So, once more free, the apostles went back to Lydia's house, and soon after left the city.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What happened some days after the apostles came to Philippi ? 2. What were Paul and Silas doing at midnight in prison ? 3. Who were listening to them? 4. What two strange things did the earthquake do? 5. What was the jailer going to do, when he saw this? 6. Why? 7. What did Paul cry out? 8. What did the jailer then do? 9. What question did he ask Paul and Silas ? 10. How did they say he could be saved ? 11. To whom, besides the jailer, did they preach? 12. What was the result? 13. What did the jailer do for the apostles? 14. What message did the rulers send the jailer next day? 15. What answer did Paul make to the message? 16. What did the rulers then do? 17. What did the apostles afterwards do ? 18. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee ! Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free. Amen. —Hymn 154, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—35. How did Jesus Christ, God's Son, come into the world ? Jesus Christ came into the world by being born a little child.

SHORTER CATECHISM—22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man? A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

The Question on Missions

2. What is the religion of the pupils ? The East Indians are chiefly Hindus or Mohammedans; but now there are many Christian families.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

Jesus made Paul and Silas joyful, even when their feet were fast in the cruel stocks; and



though pain and suffering come to us, He will fill our hearts, too, with joy. *Color* the picture.

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