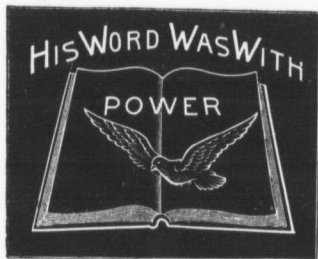


lost their power. Can you think why? Because every word was spoken by the power of the Spirit. Peter, talking about the first part of the Bible, said—[2 Peter 1. 21, Revised Version]. Because of this power God's word can do wonderful things even without a teacher.

Once in Mexico a man found a Bible; neither he nor the people around knew much about this book, and the whole village was very wicked. This man read the Bible first out of curiosity, but it had power over him, it made him see how full of sin he was, and how to be forgiven and live differently. He read the Bible to others, till the whole place was changed, and when a missionary happened to go there he found a Christian village. "His word was with power."

It has power to-day. Have you ever felt its power? I know you love many of Jesus's words; some have power to make you happy; others to make you sorry for sin; others to show you what to do [examples: Matt. 19. 14; Isa. 53. 5, 6; John 3. 16]. When you go home to-day, make a book like this one, print "Holy Bible" at the top, and some words of Jesus that you love very much on the pages.

SUGGESTIONS FOR COLORING. Book, brown, with red edges; "Spirit," dove, white; "His word," etc., light blue.



Kindergarten Hints.

KINDERGARTEN DEPARTMENT. The Early Ministry of Jesus. Luke 4. 16-21.

GOLDEN TEXT. "His word was with power" (Luke 4. 32).

AIDS TO THE KINDERGARTEN. Holy Bible, Isa. 61. 1-3; *Education of Man* (Froebel), "Need of Soul Training;" *The Preacher and His Mode* (Stalker); *Imago Christi* (Stalker), pages 144-164.

ATTENTION STORY.

When Jesus became a man he preached to the people, and one Sunday he went into the synagogue or temple of Nazareth, which was the very church where he went many times when he was a boy, and he took up the Bible, which was like the

scroll upon your hand work card, and he read from the scroll. The words which he read were those spoken of himself by the good prophet Isaiah many years before, and they were wonderful words, telling of what he could do for the people. Everyone listened, and the words were like music to their ears. Jesus read that the poor were to hear God's word of peace and good will to men, and those who were in sorrow were to be comforted and their sad hearts were to be made glad. People who found it very hard to be good were to be helped, the blind were to be able to see, and all who had been hurt and bruised by naughtiness were to be made free and glad. When Jesus had read all this he closed the book and said, "This is all true, and I have come to do these things for you." Long, long ago Isaiah had written down this promise of God, and now, like all God's words, these had come to be true. They are in Luke 4. 16-21. Let us read them.

Explain unusual words: "Custom," "anointed," "deliverance," "captives," "acceptable," "fulfilled."

OUTLINE.

Sunday. Attention Story, Bible lesson, and Golden Text.

Monday. What does it mean to be poor? Many people who have not much money, nor many "things" do not think that they are poor, because they have much that is better than money and "things." They have the love of others, and they give love to others. None need be poor if they love and work and have the love of others. Let the teacher explain the benefits of love and labor.

Tuesday. Unloving words and naughty deeds cause hearts to be sad. Jesus came to bind up and to heal the breaking hearts by giving his great love to them. When we trust him sorrow is turned to joy.

Wednesday. Explain clearly that habits are like chains which bind people, but little children need not get chains and strings of bad habits upon them if they are obedient and loving and helpful.

Thursday. Jesus came to give sight to the blind, and he can help us too to see as with an inner light what is good and beautiful and true. He is the Light of the world, and he makes bright the pathway of each little child, and he gives, also, the light of knowledge within, so we may live good and true lives.

Friday. Sometimes people feel sore and sad in their thoughts, just as bruises on the body hurt them, but when people pray to God and love him and trust him the heart is made glad, as a man who has his liberty and is happy and free.

NATURE WORK. We have talked many times about flowers and animals in the wood and forest, and in these wintry days, while the buds and the grasses are sleeping in their little beds covered with the white snow, the animals of the forest are glad and warm. Our Golden Text says that "His word was with power," and this wonderful and