

Christian Church. Tell them that coming to the Lord's Supper is the sign of full membership in the church.

Now have class read 1 Cor. 11 : 23-26, and tell you anything further they can learn from this passage.

### FOR TEACHERS IN THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Teachers in the Primary Department should study carefully the scholars' materials in the PRIMARY QUARTERLY.

**PRIMARY TOPIC**—Remembering Jesus.

**AIM OF THE LESSON.** To help the children, through the story of the Lord's Supper, to know how and why Christians so remember Jesus.

**LESSON STORY.** There came a time when Jesus knew he must soon be parted from those whom he loved. So one day he called his twelve followers (disciples) together, and told them to make ready a supper. He and his friends were in Bethany when Jesus spoke. Peter and John went on to Jerusalem to make everything ready just as Jesus wanted it. A friend of Jesus in Jerusalem had a house with an upper room. Jesus bade those two disciples go ahead to the city and ask the friend to lend the room so the supper might be eaten there.

When evening came, all the Twelve with Jesus climbed the outside stairs, and went into that upper room. There was the supper all ready, and when Jesus and his friends gathered about the table to eat, our Saviour took the flat loaves of bread, broke them, and gave a piece to each of his disciples. Listen while I read to you the very words that Jesus said. Read Matt. 26 : 26. Then he took the cup of wine from the table, gave thanks to God, and passed the cup to each of the disciples in turn. And Jesus said to them these words they remembered as long as they lived. Read Matt. 26 : 27-29.

Jesus' friends did not know that on that very night cruel men would come to take their Master ; and that on the very next day he would die for the world on the cross. But they did understand that soon, in some way, he was to be parted from them.

The words he said that evening in the upper room and his loving acts they never could forget. As long as they should live they knew that they would want to gather together at

certain times, have placed upon the table bread and wine—just as it had been placed when Jesus was there—and remember that Jesus had told them how the bread was his body, the wine was his blood that was shed for them so their sins would be forgiven. They would know that because they loved him his strength would come to them as they ate the Supper, and they would be stronger. (Read again or repeat slowly and impressively, Matt. 26 : 26, 27.)

Years passed by after Jesus had gone home to be with our Father. His followers had traveled many miles telling his story. Paul was one of these traveler followers and Paul loved to explain to people who did not know how to find Jesus and how to remember him. He wrote a letter to some people who lived in a big, wicked city, telling them how they might remember Jesus even there. He told how Jesus took the bread and the wine, giving them to his disciples ; and how at that same time Jesus bade all his followers meet often and share in a supper, saying, "This do in remembrance of me."

So every two or three months, in our churches, there is a meeting time we call the Communion, when Christians gather together. If you have been to that service with father and mother you have seen how the bread and the wine are passed and heard your minister read the words Jesus spoke, and also the very words you have learned in your Golden Text that tell why Christians so remember Jesus. (Have Golden Text repeated by pupils in turn.)

At that service, those who have learned to love Jesus and want to be counted members of his church confess him. They join in honoring Jesus by sharing in the supper of bread and wine, thinking as they do so that Jesus said : "This do in remembrance of me."

### FROM THE PLATFORM

Begin with a little talk about memorials. Ask the scholars to name some memorial days. Some of these are Christmas, the anniversary of our Lord's birth, Easter of his resurrection,