

back. When he started out he had good clothes, because his father had plenty for all, and happy with his father, but when he came back I think he looked ragged. He came back with all haste. He hurried to meet his father. The son meant to say a great deal which he didn't say, but he said, Father I have, what? (Voices: Sinned) against—(Voices: God) and against—(Voices: Thee) and I am not worthy to be thy—(Voices: Son). He didn't have time to say, make me one of thy servants, for the father put his arms around his—(Voices: Neck). What else do you suppose he did? Just what your father would do to you, he kissed him. And his father took off the ragged clothes and what do you suppose he put on him? A poor dress? (Voices: No, the best one). The very best they had in the house. His father put something on his finger? (Voices: A ring) and something on his feet. What was it? (Voices: Shoes). And then they killed—(Voices: The fatted calf), they were so glad, and the father was so glad that the son had done what? (Voices: Come back). Do you suppose God loves us so much as that? (Voices: Yes). That is Jesus' picture, just to show us how much God loves you and—(Voices: Me). I am afraid we have gone away, aren't you? I am afraid we have done a great many things that grieved our Father in heaven, but I don't want him to stay grieved, do you? (Voices: No). No, indeed I don't. I want to do what the son said. He said, I will—(Voices: Arise). I will go back to my father and I will tell him I am sorry that I have—(Voices: Sinned). I will ask him to forgive me. Would you like to have God forgive you because you disobeyed him? (Voices: Yes). Will you fold your hands while we ask Him? Will you follow me? Our Father which art in heaven. Like the son we have disobeyed Thee, in disobeying our father or mother, and sometimes we have not been kind to brother and sister. We have not always said what was true; we have not always tried to please Thee. Wilt Thou forgive us and help us to turn away from all that is wrong, and seek from this time out to please Thee. We ask it in Christ's name. Amen.

A DELEGATE—I noticed you did not use the Bible in teaching the lesson?

Miss HARLOW—I was teaching children under nine, not old enough to read. I say over and over again when a child comes to nine—it may be eight—then it is time for him to begin to read.

A DELEGATE—Would you expect the parents to teach this lesson through the week previous?

Miss HARLOW—If I did I should get myself into trouble. Perhaps to you who are not Primary teachers some of this may almost seem silly. We hope not, but simple, so simple that you wonder why we take such simple things; well, because we have simple minds that have not gone beyond that.

A DELEGATE—Do you give the children small picture cards.

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