

2. That Jesus came to stop people sinning; let us proceed.

3. How does He help people to stop sinning? Here let us teach the lesson story, and show that He will only keep those from sinning who accept Him as the Lord of their lives. The Jews would not accept Him. They would not have Him to be their Lord. They cried out, "release unto us Barabbas" and they condemned Jesus to be put to death. The boy or girl, who will not allow Jesus to be their Lord will not be kept from sinning.

4. Will He save everyone from sin? Yes,

all who make Him their Lord. That is what He came into the world for. Repeat the Golden Text again and again, changing the words, if you please, to read, Christ Jesus came into the world to keep people from doing wrong. If we are unwilling to obey Him, we are like the wicked Pilate, and the Jews who condemned Him to death.

5. He will keep you and me from doing wrong this week, if we will truly make Him the Lord of our lives. Let us bow our heads, and while we are silent, let us tell Jesus that we will make him the Lord of our lives.

## LESSON XI.—June 12th, 1898.

### JESUS CRUCIFIED. Matt. 27 : 35-50.

I. GOLDEN TEXT. Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. 1 Cor. 15 : 3.

II. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR THE QUARTER : Jesus, our Loving Lord.

III. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY'S LESSON : Jesus, our Crucified Saviour.

#### IV. REVIEW :

1. Where did Jesus and His disciples go after the Supper ?

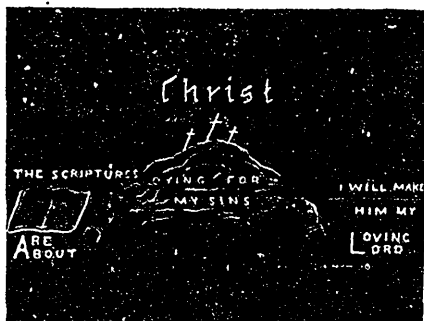
2. What happened there ?

3. Who condemned Jesus ?

4. Who was set free instead of Jesus ?

V. INTERVENING EVENTS, AND SYNOPSIS OF LESSON : Immediately after Jesus was condemned, He was taken into the Governor's house, where He was arrayed in a scarlet robe. A crown of thorns was put upon His head and a reed in His hand. They mocked Him, spitting upon Him, and smiting Him on the head. Then the robe was taken off, His own raiment put on Him again, and he was led away to be crucified. The Saviour being physically unable to bear His own cross, it was laid upon Simon the Cyrenian. Passing along the streets, and out through the gates of the city, they arrived at Calvary, where He was crucified. They parted His garments, and set up over His head the written accusation. "This is Jesus the King of the Jews." Two thieves were crucified with Him, one on either side. The chief priests and the people mocked Him, as He hung on the cross. The crucifixion took place at nine o'clock in the morning. From noon, till three o'clock in the afternoon, there was darkness over the land.

During the six hours Jesus hung upon the cross, we have the record of His speaking seven times. The sufferings of the Saviour continued until three o'clock in the afternoon, when, with a cry of victory, He yielded up the Ghost.



#### VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON.

Note. At first thought, the lesson on the Crucifixion of Christ would seem to be an easy one to teach. Theoretically, this may be so, but practical teachers find it a difficult lesson. It is easy of course to appeal to the sympathies of the child, but the wise teacher wants to do more than that. The opportunity is great, and the responsibility of coming to your class with such a precious lesson is equally great. We must keep in mind the central thought of the Quarter in teaching this lesson. Jesus, our Loving Lord. The difficulty to overcome, is to get the scholar to see in what way the death of