

what have we forsaken for him? What have you? Any thing?

#### Hints for Home Study.

1. Learn the general shape or topography of Jerusalem, and locate the hill Golgotha. There are maps in any good Bible.
2. Read from an encyclopedia or commentary an article on crucifixion.
3. From the four Gospels study out the things that happened during the crucifixion.
4. Especially write out in their order the things which Christ said, which are called the "seven words of Jesus."

#### QUESTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARS.

1. **The Cross.**  
To what place was Jesus taken to be crucified?  
What is the meaning of Golgotha?  
What drink was offered to Jesus?  
What did he do with it?  
What was then done to Jesus?  
What disposition was made of his garments?  
What prophecy was thus fulfilled? See Ps. 22. 18.  
By whom was this prophecy written?  
What then did the soldiers do?  
What Christian grace does the cross illustrate? (GOLDEN TEXT.)

2. **The King.**  
What title was given to Jesus on the cross?  
Who were crucified with him?  
What did those that passed by do?  
What did they say about the temple?  
How did they challenge him as the Son of God?  
What officers joined in deriding him?  
What did they say he could not do?  
Upon what terms did they promise to believe on him?  
Who did they demand should deliver him?  
Who else joined in the mockery?  
What happened for the space of three hours?  
At the ninth hour what cry was heard?  
What do these words mean?  
What did some understand Jesus to say?  
What act of mercy did a soldier perform?  
What did the rest say?  
What cry did Jesus utter? Luke 23. 46.  
What then occurred?

#### Teachings of the Lesson.

Where in this lesson are we taught—

1. That the Scriptures are true?
2. That God hates sin?
3. That the death of Jesus was voluntary?

#### Hints for Home Study.

Find four Old Testament prophecies which are fulfilled in this lesson.  
Why did Jesus at first refuse drink (verse 34), and afterward receive it?  
Find in what languages the title on the cross was written.

#### QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

Where was Jesus crucified? On a hill called Calvary, near Jerusalem.  
What is the Greek name for the place? Golgotha.  
Who were crucified with Jesus? Two thieves, one on his right hand and the other on his left.  
What did the soldiers do when they had crucified him? They gambled for his seamless robe.  
Who are just as selfish and wicked now? Those who know what Jesus has done for them and refuse to love and obey him.

What writing did Pilate have fastened to the cross?  
"This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."  
How did the chief priests and the people treat him? They mocked him and laughed at him.  
What did Jesus know and feel? All the shame and suffering that sin has brought into the world.  
What did Isaiah prophesy concerning him? "The Lord hath laid upon him the iniquity of us all."  
How long did Jesus hang upon the cross? From nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon.

What was over all the land while Jesus was dying?  
A great darkness.  
What did Jesus cry out just before he died? "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"  
What made Jesus feel as if God had forsaken him?  
His awful suffering of soul and body.

At what hour did Jesus die? At three o'clock Friday afternoon. (Repeat Golden Text.)  
What was finished when Jesus died? All that God sent him to do for a sinful world.

#### Words with Little People.

Jesus lived and suffered and died for you—that you might be saved from Satan and everlasting death; that you might have peace and love here and a happy home in heaven; that you might believe him and trust him now to be kept from sin.  
Are you loving him as your friend, or slighting him as your enemy?  
"He that is not with me is against me."

#### THE LESSON CATECHISM.

[For the entire school.]

1. What was the accusation written over the cross? This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.
2. What was the real charge made by the Jews? Blasphemy against God.
3. How was he treated by all in this last hour of misery? They reviled and mocked him.
4. What signs filled all them with terror? Darkness and an earthquake.
5. What great lesson does his crucifixion teach us? To submit patiently to God's will.
6. What does Paul say of his example? "He humbled himself," etc.

#### CATECHISM QUESTION.

30. How many persons are there in the Godhead? In the Godhead there are Three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these Three are one God.  
Matthew xxviii. 19.

#### ANALYTICAL AND BIBLICAL OUTLINE.

##### The sufferings of the Cross.

#### I. PHYSICAL PAIN.

1. Vinegar.... *could not drink.* v. 34.  
"Gall for my meat." Ps. 69. 21.
2. They crucified him. v. 35.  
"Made a curse for us." Gal. 3. 13.

#### II. ACTS OF CONTEMPT.

1. Parted his garments. v. 35.  
"Cast lots upon my vesture." Ps. 22. 18.
2. His accusation written. v. 37.  
"Yet have I set my king." Ps. 2. 6.
3. Two thieves.... with him. v. 38.  
"Numbered with.... transgressors." Isa. 53. 12.

#### III. WORDS OF ABUSE.

1. They that passed by reviled. v. 39.  
"They shook their heads." Ps. 109. 25.
2. Chief priests mocking him. v. 41.  
"In mine adversity they rejoiced." Ps. 35. 15.
3. Thieves.... cast the same. v. 44.  
"Reproaches.... fallen upon me." Ps. 69. 9.

#### IV. LONELINESS OF SOUL.

- My God.... *foraken me.* v. 46.  
"Troddest the wine-press alone." Isa. 63. 3.

#### V. DEATH.

- Yielded up the ghost. v. 50.  
"He died unto sin once." Rom. 6. 10.

#### THOUGHTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

##### The Lessons of the Cross.

1. The cross shows us how great is the depth of human guilt which could commit such a crime and gloat over such sufferings. Man's sin is placed in dark colors by the cross of Christ.
2. The cross shows us the value of our humanity; since such a price was necessary to be paid, and was freely given for our redemption. If Christ was willing to give his life to save men, what should not we be willing to do to bring them to him?