

# Primary Department.

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## SPIDER AND THE FLY.

Once upon a time a spider,  
Spread his net a fly to catch,  
Spun it strongly, spun it finely,  
And when finished kept a watch.

Soon the fly was seen approaching,  
Soon within the net was tied,  
Found to free himself he could not,  
Though he tried, and tried, and tried.

Children, Satan seeks to snare you,  
In the nets he spreads about,  
And he'll surely, surely catch you,  
If you fail to keep lookout.

Nets of pride and nets of passion,  
Nets of selfishness and sin,  
Nets of all kinds he is setting,  
Nets to catch, and keep you in.

He is waiting, watching always,  
In the day and in the night,  
He wants boys and girls to serve him,  
Doing wrong instead of right.

Children, Jesus came to save you,  
From those nets along the way,  
If you trust Him, and allow Him,  
He will keep you every day.

None but Jesus, none but Jesus,  
Can to children freedom give,  
With His precious blood He bought us,  
Gave His life that we might live.

Children, trust Him, always trust Him,  
Watchful be, and true, and brave,  
Just as sure as there's a Satan,  
There's a Saviour who can save.

## LESSON X—December 5th. 1897.

### Christ's Humility an Exaltation. Phil 2: 1-11.

I. GOLDEN TEXT: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." Phil. 2: 5.

II. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR THE QUARTER: Paul, the hero.

III. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY'S LESSON: Paul the humble hero.

IV. REVIEW.

1. Who wrote letters to christians besides Paul?

2. Who was Peter?

3. How did Peter deny Jesus?

4. What did Jesus once say about watching?

V. SYNOPSIS OF LESSON: Our lesson to-day is from Paul's letter to the Philippians. The Christians at Philippi were reckoned amongst Paul's best friends, and his Epistle to them breathes out the spirit of tender friendship and love, as well as of christian gratitude. It was written during the confinement at Rome, probably near the close of the second year.

Paul begins the second chapter with an exhortation to unity. Some discord, some self-seeking had come into the church at Philippi. He opens his heart to them, and then exhorts them to be child-like, as shown in the humble disposition of the Saviour. He exhorts them to be like Him, to avoid all appearance of self-seeking, and to reckon others better than themselves.

In our lesson we observe six steps in the humiliation of Christ, and these are suggested in the blackboard cut.

The whole lesson is summed up in the Golden Text, and should form the central thought of the teaching.

VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON:

1. Heroes should be brave, fearless, faithful, having on the whole armour of God; but they must also be humble. When a man begins to think himself great he is apt to cease watching, and will soon get into trouble. When a christian begins to think himself very good,