

across deep rivers. There he was nearly caught by robbers. His own people, the Jews, were ill-treating him. Heathen people, the Gentiles, were ill-treating him. He was in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger on the sea, in danger from men with whom he worked, who were not true friends. There he was working with his hands at tent-making. There he was struggling with pain, hungry and thirsty, shivering with cold and only ragged clothes to cover him.

After showing them all these pictures of his life, Paul told the Corinthians that he was always thinking about the churches he had started, and thinking about their troubles.

Paul said he was proud to bear all these things for Jesus' sake. Then he described a very exciting picture. He was being let down from a window in a basket and escaping over a wall. This was in the city of Damascus, where, to please the Jews, the king had given orders to a guard of soldiers to seize Paul, if he tried to go out of the city gates. Paul's friends took him to a house close to the city wall. He got through a window and they let him down in a basket, outside the wall, and he got away safely.

How surprised Paul's enemies would be when they found he had escaped!

Questions on the Lesson

1. To whose words are we listening to-day?
2. How did enemies try to turn the church of Corinth against Paul?
3. Did Paul like to boast about himself?
4. What did Paul show the Corinthians in his letter?
5. What do the first five pictures show?
6. Who, in the next three pictures, were beating Paul?
7. How often was Paul nearly stoned?
8. How many times had he been in shipwrecks?
9. What other dangers did Paul meet on his journeys?
10. Tell about some other sufferings of Paul.
11. How did he feel about all these things?
12. How did Paul escape from his enemies in Damascus?
13. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Brightly gleams our banner,
Pointing to the sky,

Waving on Christ's soldiers
To their home on high.
Marching through the desert,
Gladly thus we pray,
Still with hearts united
Singing on our way. Amen.

—Hymn 304, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM — 112. What is meant by the wine in the Lord's Supper? The blood of Christ, shed for our sins.

The Question on Missions

10. How do the scholars help their own people after they leave the Schools? They try to teach others what they have learned. They form little groups and read the Bible, and often, by their help, preaching has been started. They send other young people to the Schools, and they give about \$1,000 every year to help the work of the Schools.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

A bundle of rods, like the one in the picture (*copy*), with an axe bound up in it, was carried before a Roman magistrate, as a sign of



authority. Paul was three times beaten with rods like these. It was because he was faithful to Jesus. So must we be faithful, even if we suffer for it.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD BE WILLING TO
BEAR TROUBLES