

free at that time.

Just then there was a very bad man in prison called Barabbas. He was a robber and murderer.

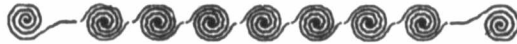
Pilate said, "I will tell you what I will do; I will let you choose one to go free; the King of the Jews or Barabbas—which shall it be?"

Pilate had hoped they would choose Jesus, but they all shouted together, "We will have

Barabbas."

So Pilate, to please them, gave leave to put Jesus, the Son of God, to death on the cross.

Was not Pilate even more wicked than the angry Jews, because, though he knew that Jesus was a good man, He allowed Him to be killed to please the people?



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Where was Jesus taken to after He left the high priest's palace? Ans.—To Pilate's house. 2. Who was Pilate? Ans.—A judge; he was not a Jew, but a Roman. 3. Who went with Jesus? Ans.—Crowds of angry Jews. 4. Was Pilate waiting for them? Ans.—No, he did not want to be troubled with them. 5. What did the Jews say about Jesus? Ans.—That He was a bad man. 6. What did Pilate say? Ans.—Take Him away and judge Him yourselves. 7. Why would the Jews not do this? Ans.—Because they could not put anyone to death unless Pilate gave them leave. 8. What question did

Pilate ask Jesus? Ans.—Are you the King of the Jews? 9. What did Jesus say? Ans.—Yes. 10. What did Jesus say about His kingdom? Ans.—"My kingdom is not of this world." 11. What did Pilate think about Jesus? Ans.—That He was a good man. 12. What did Pilate say he would allow the Jews to do. Ans.—To choose one prisoner to go free. 13. Whom did Pilate hope they would choose? Ans.—Jesus. 14. Whom did they choose? Ans.—Barabbas. 15. Who was Barabbas? Ans.—A robber and murderer. 16. What is the Golden Text? Ans.—"I find no fault in Him."



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

I may suffer, even when doing right.



Golden Text—"I find no fault in Him."—
John 19 : 4.



Catechism—31. What name is given in the Bible to Adam's disobedience? It is called sin. 32. What is sin? Sin is doing what God forbids, or not being and doing what He requires.

Our King

THERE is no name so sweet on earth,
No name so sweet in heaven,
The name before His wondrous birth
To Christ the Saviour given.

*We love to sing around our King,
And hail Him blessed Jesus;
For there's no word ear ever heard
So dear, so sweet as Jesus.*

—Hymn 545, Book of Praise.

