

pelled to leave their fathers' homes to work in the king's fields and workshops. Even your daughters shall be taken from you to be trained as the king's cooks and bakers. As a people you will be little better than slaves."

But in spite all that Samuel could say by way of warning, the people of Israel were determined to have a king, for, said they, "We must be like other nations."

Samuel prayed again to the Lord, and told Him what the people had said, and how determined they were to have a king set over them. Then the Lord told Samuel to allow the people to have their own way, and to give them the king for whom they had asked so eagerly.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Why did Samuel set his sons to be judges in Israel? 2. What kind of men were Abiah and Joel? 3. How did they act toward the people? 4. What did the elders of Israel ask Samuel to do? 5. Why did they want a king? 6. Was Samuel pleased with their request? 7. Why not? 8. To whom did Samuel tell his trouble? 9. What comfort did the Lord give him? 10. What did God say about the people? 11. What advice did he give Samuel? 12. What did Samuel tell the people they might expect from a king? 13. How did they receive his warnings? 14. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"Oh, dear me!" sighed Lilian, "I'm as tired as I can be. It's 'Lily, do this,' and 'Lily, do that' from morning till night. I wish I could get sick. When Rosalie was sick she had the best bedroom and the prettiest dishes and nice things to eat. Oh, it must be nice to be sick!"

That night Lilian's head ached dreadfully, and her throat was very sore. The doctor said he was afraid it was scarlet fever.

Then came days when the blinds in her room were always closed, and she had to swallow a spoonful of something disagreeable every hour.

At last she could sit up, but the house was very quiet, for the other children had been sent away on account of the contagion. Then poor Lilian remembered that she had

got her foolish wish, but found that it was not quite so pleasant to be sick as she had supposed.

Lesson Hymn

Lord, Thou needest not, I know,
Service such as I can bring;
Yet I long to prove and show
Full allegiance to my King.
Thou an honor art to me;
Let me be a praise to Thee. Amen.

—Hymn 240, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—34. What has God done to save us from sin? God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to save us from sin.

SHORTER CATECHISM—84. What does every sin deserve? A. Every sin deserveth God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

This staff with a crown at the top is a sceptre such as kings carry. It is a sign that they are rulers whom the people should obey. Jesus, our King, carries no sceptre that we can see, but we know He loves us and cares



for us, and so we ought to serve Him with all our heart. When we remember all that He did and suffered for us on earth and all the blessings He is giving us now, it should be easy to do His will.

I Have Learned To-day
THAT GOD SEES MY SIN

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