

searching in every nook and corner, behind every rock and tree, in every valley ; anywhere and everywhere he hunted till he found his sheep. Then he led them back to their own pasture field. He fed them as they went along, and led them to the green pastures beside the still water where they could get food and drink for themselves. He led them by safe paths till they reached their good fold, safe at home at last. So God would care for and protect his people.

But God had something better still to tell his people. He was going to send them a great, kind shepherd who will dwell among them and will take care of them. He would give them a wonderful time of peace and blessing. No wild beasts would be in the land and they would be safe even in the wild, rocky places, or sleeping in the woods. God said that he would make his people a blessing and would cause showers of blessings to come upon them. The trees would bear fruit and the earth would bring forth everything in plenty, and they would be safe and happy in their land again. They would know that it was God who had taken away their enemies.

This is all a beautiful picture of the time when Jesus, the Good Shepherd, should come, and bring peace and happiness to all the world.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What did God want his people to know ?
2. Why did God talk to his people about sheep and shepherds ?
3. To what land had God's people been carried away captive ?
4. What did God mean to do for his captive people ?
5. What often happened to flocks ?
6. What did the shepherd do then ?
7. What did he do when he found his sheep ?

8. Who is the shepherd of his people ?
9. What better news had God to tell his people ?
10. What blessings will follow the coming of the great shepherd ?
11. What promise did God give his people ?
12. Which is better, to get blessings or to give blessings ?
13. How will the land prosper ?
14. Of what is all this a picture ?
15. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never ;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine, forever.

And so through all the length of days

Thy goodness faileth never ;

Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise

Within Thy house forever ! Amen.

—Hymn 19, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day

THAT THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—44. What is it to be lost ? To be lost is to be left without God in this world, and to be shut out from His presence forever.

The Question on Missions

(SEPTEMBER, THE ANNA TURNBULL HOSPITAL, WAKAW, SASK.)—10. Why was a mission hospital needed at Wakaw ? Because Jesus told his church to minister to the sick and poor. There are many Galicians, Hungarians and other foreigners near there who are very poor, and there was no place where their sick could be cared for.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

This picture (color) of a shepherd and his flock shows how Jesus, the Good Shepherd, guards and guides us. We are always safe when we are under his care.

