

humble, knowing that his own wisdom was not sufficient, but that he needed the wisdom which comes from God alone.

Solomon's answer pleased the Lord, and the Lord spoke again : "Behold, I have given thee what thou didst ask. Thou shalt be the wisest man in all the land."

Think what a great and wonderful gift that was !

But the Lord gave Solomon even more. God said words something like these to him : "And lo, because thou hast not asked anything for thyself, I have given thee more. I have given thee riches and honor. All thy days thou shalt be the richest king in the world."

Once again the Lord spoke to Solomon. "If thou wilt obey Me and keep My commandments, I will give thee a long life."

Then the Lord stopped speaking, and Solomon awoke.

You see, Solomon did not ask anything for himself. That was why the Lord gave him riches and honor.

Solomon was glad to be rich, but more than anything else in the world, he wanted to be good and wise.

Every little boy and girl should be trying every day to grow wise. Can you tell the names of some people who will help you to grow wise ? Can you tell who will help you most ? It is the one who helped Solomon.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Whither had King Solomon gone ? 2. Where was Gibeon ? 3. Why had Solomon come to this place ? 4. Who spoke to him in a dream ? 5. What did God say ? 6. What did Solomon ask for ? 7. Why did he feel his need of wisdom ? 8. What promise had God made to David ? 9. Did God give wisdom to Solomon ? 10. What else was given to the new king ? 11. What was Solomon required to do ? 12. If he did this what would God give to him ? 13. Why did the Lord give Solomon riches and honor ? 14. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

O happy is the man who hears
Instruction's warning voice ;

And who celestial Wisdom makes
His early, only choice.

For she has treasures greater far
Than east or west unfold ;
And her rewards more precious are
Than all their stores of gold. Amen.
—Hymn 127, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—36. How was Jesus Christ different from us ? Jesus Christ was altogether without sin. 37. What do you know of the childhood of Jesus ? Jesus, when a child, loved and obeyed His parents, and pleased God in all things.

SHORTER CATECHISM—23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer ? A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

The Question on Missions

3. What does the Settlement do for the immigrant ? It offers him instruction in English and in subjects he can use in his work and at home. It helps him to seek the best kind of amusements. It puts him in touch, wherever possible, with some church centre.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the drawing (color) we see a picture of the young king Solomon kneeling in prayer to



God. Remember how he asked God to make him wise, so that he might be a good king, and be sure that God will make you wise if you ask Him.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD SEEK TO BE WISE