

So they came and fell down before him and begged his forgiveness for all their old cruelty. And Joseph wept when he saw that they still distrusted him; and he spoke kindly to them and comforted them, saying, "You did indeed intend to do me harm, but God has turned it all into good. Do not be afraid that I will cast you off. I will still care for you and your little ones."

And Joseph lived in great honor and had grandchildren and great-grandchildren. At last he was one hundred and ten years old, and he knew that he must soon die. So he called his brothers and said, "I am going to die. But God will take care of you and will surely bring you again into the land of Canaan."

So sure was Joseph of this that he made his brothers promise to carry his bones back

with them when they went, and a few days after he was dead. Then the Egyptians put Joseph's body in a coffin and gave him a great funeral.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What part of Egypt did Pharaoh give Jacob and his sons? 2. What kind of a place was it? 3. How did Joseph treat him during the famine? 4. Where did Jacob die? 5. Where was he buried? 6. What were the brothers afraid of when their father was gone? 7. What did they ask of Joseph? 8. How did Joseph feel? 9. What did he say to them? 10. What did Joseph say God would do for the children of Jacob when he was gone? 11. How did he show that he was sure of it? 12. How old was Joseph when he died? 13. What is the Golden Text?

A Good Recipe

There's a knowing little proverb
From the sunny land of Spain;
But in Northland as in Southland,
Is its meaning clear and plain.
Look it up within your heart;
Neither lose nor lend it—
Two it takes to make a quarrel;
One can always end it.

Let's suppose that both are wrong
And the strife begun,
If one voice shall cry for "Peace,"
Soon it will be done;
If but one shall span the breach,
It will quickly mend it.
Two it takes to make a quarrel;
One can always end it.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

God never tires blessing



Primary Catechism—54. What did Jesus tell His disciples the Holy Spirit would do for them? Jesus said the Holy Spirit would help them to remember and to understand what He had taught them.

Shorter Catechism—100. What doth the preface of the Lord's prayer teach us?

A. The preface of the Lord's prayer (which is, *Our Father which art in heaven*) teacheth us to draw near to God with all holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father, able and ready to help us; and that we should pray with and for others.

Lesson Hymn

O Thou, whose infant feet were found
Within Thy Father's shrine,
Whose years, with changeless virtue
crowned,
Were all alike divine—

Dependent on Thy bounteous breath,
We seek Thy grace alone—
In childhood, manhood, age and death,
To keep us still Thine own!

Amen.

—Hymn 521, Book of Praise