

## SOMEBODY.

SOMEBODY crawls into mamma's bed  
Just at the break of day,  
Smuggles up close and whispered loud:  
"Somebody's come to stay."

Somebody rushes through the house,  
Never once shuts the door;  
Scatter her playthings all around  
Over the nursery floor;

Climbs on the fence, and tears her clothes,  
Never a bit cares she—  
Swings on the gate, and makes mud pies—  
Who can somebody be?

Somebody looks with roguish eyes  
Up through her tangled hair;  
"Somebody's me," she says, "but then  
Somebody doesn't care."

## "PLEASE GOD, FORGIVE ME."

BERTIE and Susie, two little four-year old girls, were playing on the grass together, when Susie said something naughty. She immediately looked upward, and said, "Please God, forgive me."

"What makes you do that?" asked Bertie.

"When we do wrong," said Susie, "we ought at once to ask the Lord to forgive us."

I am glad Susie learned that lesson when she was a very little girl. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

## BERTIE'S "DON'T CARE."

BERTIE is a little boy who has a bad way of saying "I don't care." One day Aunt Nell said to him, "Bertie, will you do an errand for me?" "O, yes, ma'am," cried Bertie; "what is it?" "Take your naughty 'don't care' away up in the garret, and hide it." Bertie laughed, and then looked sober. Then he said, "I will, Auntie Nell," and away he ran. I think he must have hidden it very carefully, for he hasn't found it yet!

## INFLUENCE OF BAD WORDS.

"I don't want to hear naughty words," said little Charlie to his school-fellows. "It does not signify," said the other boy; "they go in at one ear, and out at the other." "No," replied Charlie. "The worst of it is, when naughty words get in they stick; so I mean to do my best to keep them out."

## LESSON NOTES.

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TRUE WISDOM.

Prov. 8. 1-17. Commit to memory verses 10, 11.

## GOLDEN TEXT.

I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me. Prov. 8, 17.

## OUTLINE.

1. The Call of Wisdom, v. 1-9.
2. The Worth of Wisdom, v. 10-17

## QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

From whom comes all true wisdom?  
From God.

To whom will God give wisdom? To every one that asks him.

How will God give wisdom? Freely and lovingly.

When will we go to God for wisdom? When we find that we have none ourselves.

What is true wisdom? The wisdom that God gives.

What does true wisdom show us? The right way to live.

Why is true wisdom better than rubies? Because it is a jewel we can wear in heaven as well as upon earth.

Is there any other kind of wisdom? Yes, a false worldly wisdom.

Where does this lead us? Away from God.

What do we hate when we fear God? Pride, selfishness, deceitfulness, and all evil.

What does God's wisdom give us? Strength to do right.

How do wise kings and princes reign? With truth and justice.

Whom does God say he loves? Those who love him.

Who will surely find him? Those who seek him early.

## WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Little children sometimes forget—

That God knows all about them.

That God loves to give them wisdom to do right.

That God loves to have them come to him for help.

That if they do not go to him for wisdom they will be sinful and unhappy.

"The Lord giveth wisdom; out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The value of God's word.

## CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Who was Apollus? An eloquent teacher,

whom Priscilla and Aquila instructed in the Christian faith.

Who was Timothy? A young companion and helper of St. Paul.

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## DRUNKENNESS.

Prov. 23. 29-35. Commit to memory verses 29-32.

## GOLDEN TEXT.

Be not among wine-bibbers. Prov. 23, 20.

## OUTLINE.

1. Woe, v. 29, 30.
2. Warning, 31-35.

## QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

What is sure to bring us sorrow and trouble? Wine, or strong drink of any kind.

What is strong drink? A deceitful enemy.

Of what is it the cause between friends? Of quarrelling and contentions.

To what will quarrelling lead? To blows and wounds.

What command is given us in the Bible? [Repeat GOLDEN TEXT.]

What warning? "Look not upon the wine when it is red."

Why are we so warned? A look might tempt us to drink.

What is often the result of one drink? A drunkard's life of sin and trouble.

What is the end of a drunkard's life? A shameful death.

Of what does strong drink rob us? Of our strength and reason.

What does it make of us? Babblers and fools.

Of what should we be afraid? Of its power.

What is the constant thought of the drunkard? "I will seek it again."

Who is able to deliver us from the temptation of wine and strong drink? Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Who only can break the bonds of the drunkard? Jesus.

## WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Strong drink has power to destroy both body and soul.

Do not taste it; one taste may make you a drunkard.

Do not handle it; or you may be led to drink it.

Do not look upon it; that is the only way to escape temptation.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The results of sin.

## CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Who was Titus? Another companion of St. Paul, who was a minister in the island of Crete.