

wants to be sure that His disciples really know Him to be God's Son. "Some say that Thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias; some Jeremias, or one of the prophets." Jesus looks right into their eyes, and asks the question, "Whom say ye that I am?"

Golden Text—Simon Peter answered, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Ah! That is just the answer Jesus wants. And Jesus knew that God had made Peter know that the humble Jesus was indeed the Christ. Jesus turns to Peter; and we can imagine the pleased look on His face as He says, "Blessed art thou, Peter."

The Foundation of Jesus' Church—Look at this picture of a rock, while we speak about a foundation. Everything that is to be built must have a foundation. Jesus is soon going back to heaven, and before He goes, He wants to begin to build His church in the world. It must begin with those who know and love Him. When we say, "That is our church," we mean that building of brick or stone or wood, with big doors and windows and steps and tower and bell. But Jesus did not mean a building of this kind. His church is not built of stones, or brick, or boards, but of people. On this rock we'll print, "THOU ART THE CHRIST."

The Rock—The people who form Jesus' church must confess this, must believe that

He is indeed God's Son. This is the rock, the foundation, upon which Jesus' church is built. Would you not like to be sure that you are really one little stone in Jesus' great church, that you are one of those "called out" to belong to Him? Then you must do as Peter did:

CONFESS — LOVE AND WORK FOR JESUS.
CHRIST

This will make you a part of His great church on earth, and a helper in building it up.

Our Church—Let us make a great many strokes for people, which we will call Jesus' church in the world. At first they were few, and all one church, like one family; but as years went on, they separated into groups called by different names (name the Christian denominations). What do we call our church? Print—THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Should we love our own part of Jesus' church best? Should we work to make it grow larger and stronger and more useful? How can we do this?

Prayer for Jesus' Church in the World—We can pray for our own church, and for all Jesus' church in the world.

Something to Draw at Home—Draw a church, and remember that if we love and confess Jesus, we belong to His great church.

Something to Remember—I should work for the church.

SUPERINTENDENT'S BLACKBOARD REVIEW

A ROCK A BUILDING THE GATES

In the Lesson **A ROCK** (Print) is spoken of. This is the meaning of the name given to one of the twelve apostles—which one? Next we have **A BUILDING** (Print) mentioned. This building is the church of Christ. Of whom is this church made up? What place had Peter and the other apostles in this church? How did they obtain this place? (See Exposition and **HOME STUDY QUARTERLY**.) Then we have **THE GATES** (Print)—gates of what? Explain what is meant by these (see Exposition and **HOME STUDY QUARTERLY**). Now we see that the church of Christ is like a strong building erected on Himself as the Foundation, and not all the power of Satan can destroy it. But Jesus tells us what is required of those who belong to His church. Bring out the particulars in vs. 24, 25. He tells, too, about the future greatness of His church (see v. 28). Ask the scholars to repeat v. 26. Urge all to seek the safety and blessedness of Christ's true followers