

GO TO SLEEP BABY.

A FORM, white and ghost-like,
Sits there in the room—
A make-believe phantom,
Outlined by the moon.

A long, mournful "Too-who!"
Why should you cower?
'Tis only an owl,
In the old church tower.

A flash and a flicker
Across the white wall;
'Tis the nurse with a lamp,
Outside in the hall.

Why listen and shudder?
Why shrink in alarm?
God's angels are watching,
To keep you from harm.

Then go to sleep, baby!
There's nothing to fear,
When all is so peaceful,
And heaven so near!

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF OUR LORD.

A.D. 8.] LESSON V. [July 29.

THE YOUTH OF JESUS.

Luke 2. 40-52. Memory verses, 46-49.

GOLDEN TEXT.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.—Luke 2. 52.

OUTLINE.

1. To the Temple, v. 40-42.
2. In the Temple, v. 43-50.
3. In the Home, v. 51, 52.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read about the boyhood of Jesus. Luke 2. 40-52.

Tues. Learn how Jesus grew. Golden Text.

Wed. Find when and how the passover was kept. Deut. 16. 1-8.

Thur. Learn what a child may do. Verse 52.

Fri. Find why Jesus worked. John 9. 4.

Sat. Find a lesson for children in verse 51.

Sun. Tell this story in your own words.

DO YOU KNOW—

Where was Jesus living now? When did he go to Jerusalem? With whom? What for? Who ate the first passover? The Israelites in Egypt.

Where was Nazareth? How did the people go to Jerusalem? Do you think Jesus went to have sport? Why not?

What troubled his parents? Where did they find Jesus at last? What did he say

to them? Whom did he mean by 'My Father'?

Where did he go with them? What kind of a boy do you think he was? Do you want to be like him?

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That I may grow better every day. Verse 52.

Why I should be obedient. Col. 3. 20.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

How was man made like God? His soul was created like God: immortal, holy, and happy.

Did our first parents continue holy and happy? No: they sinned against God, and fell into misery.

A.D. 26.] LESSON VI. [Aug 5.

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS.

Mark 1. 1-11. Memory verses, 9-11.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.—Mark 1. 11.

OUTLINE.

1. The Voice in the Wilderness, v. 1-8.
2. The Voice from Heaven, v. 9-11.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read Matthew's story of the baptism. Matt. 3. 13-17.

Tues. Read the lesson verses. Mark 1. 1-11.

Wed. Read a wonderful prophecy. Isa. 40. 1-11.

Thur. Find what was foretold of John. Luke 1. 76-80.

Fri. Learn what John said about Jesus. John 1. 31-36.

Sat. Learn the Golden Text.

Sun. Learn what this story proves. Matt. 11. 29.

DO YOU KNOW—

Who made a wonderful prophecy long before? (Ask someone what it means.) Where was Jesus still living? What was his occupation? How long was it since he first went to the temple to worship? Eighteen years. How old was Jesus now? Who came preaching near Jordan? Tell what you can about John. What did he tell the people to do? What did many do as a sign of repentance? Who came to John to be baptized? What did this show? His humility. What then came upon him? What did a heavenly voice say?

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That Jesus is my example. Matt. 3. 15.
That Jesus has a better baptism for me. Verse 8.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

What is sin? Sin is not obeying the commands of God.

What command did God give to our first parents in the garden of Eden? He commanded them not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

AT THE DOOR.

I did not get myself, indeed, secure
So fast the door, so firm the lock,
But, lo! he toddling comes to lure
My parent ear with timorous knock.

My heart were stone could it withstand
The sweetness of my baby's plea—
That timorous baby knocking and
"Please let me in—it's only me."

I threw aside the unfinished book,
Regardless of its tempting charms,
And opening wide the door, I took
My laughing darling in my arms.

Who knows but in eternity,
I, like a truant child, shall wait
The glories of a life to be
Beyond the Heavenly Father's gate!

And will that Heavenly Father heed
The truant's supplicating cry,
As at the outer door I plead,
"Tis I, O Father, only I!"

BILLY.

MR. JONES had a great many animals on his farm. All of them were very gentle and good tempered except Billy, the ram. Nobody dared go into the pasture when Billy was there, for he would run at them with lowered horns, and knock them over.

Mr. Jones' daughter had married and gone away six years before to live in the city, but this summer she had come back to the dear old home for a long visit. She had a dear little girl, four years old, who soon became her grandparents' darling.

Mr. Jones took little Elsie all over the farm, showing her the chickens, pigeons, ducks, geese, and turkeys, the horses and cows, the pigs and sheep.

"What is that?" she asked, pointing to Billy, who was penned in a corner of the field all by himself.

"That is cross old Billy. Little Elsie must never go into that field where Billy is, or she will be very badly hurt."

Elsie watched her grandfather every morning feed and pet the animals, all except Billy. One day grandma filled Elsie's hand with cookies. Elsie slipped out of doors and ran to the fence where Billy was penned all alone.

"Poor Billy," she said, "nobody ever pets you. Here's a nice cookie. Eat it, it's good." And she threw it between the bars. Billy looked hard at her, and slowly came up, smelled the cookie, and ate it. Every day afterward she slipped away and fed Billy something good, and talked to him in her soft, pretty voice until at last she could reach over the bars and pat the woolly head and pull the smooth horns. When grandpa first saw her he was frightened, but after seeing how gentle Billy always was with the little girl, he was afraid no longer.

"I declare!" he said to grandma, "that blessed child has taught me a lesson. Even a cross, bucking old ram can be won by kindness."