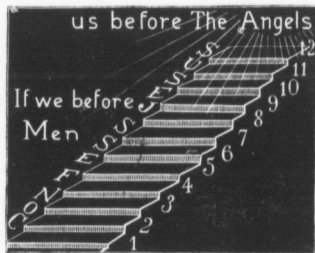


sweet and lovely in her character, but very homely in her face and appearance. This girl went away to school, and one day her mother came to visit her, and went to a party given by the teacher to the school. One of the girls, who did not know this mother, asked the daughter who that queer-looking lady was, and, only think, the daughter was ashamed to confess she was her mother, and said, "I don't know." She was very sorry afterward, and told her mother how mean she had been. Why was it so dreadful for her to do so? What had her mother done for her?

[Show how much worse it is to be ashamed to confess Jesus. Tell of the reward promised in the Golden Text, and print "If we" over "before men," and "us before the angels" at top of the steps, making rays of light shining down over the steps. Tell how flags or banners are used in armies and on buildings to show to whom they belong. David in one of his psalms says—(Psalm 60. 4). Ask the children to make a flag at home, printing "Jesus" on it, and closing with an earnest appeal never to be ashamed to confess Christ.]



Kindergarten Hints.

KINDERGARTEN DEPARTMENT. Review.

GOLDEN TEXT. "Come, ye blessed" (Matt. 25. 34).

AIDS TO THE KINDERGARTEN. Holy Bible, Matt. 25. Rev. 22. 1-7; *Life of Christ* (Gelkie), pages 529-532; *Oratorio of the Messiah* (Handel), "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd;" *Oratorio of the Redemption* (Gounod), Angel Chorus, "The earth is my possession; I leave my Father's throne to atone for transgression."

ATTENTION STORY.

Once upon a time a little boy named John was greatly loved by his father and mother. They were very glad that God sent this little boy to their home. He grew to be a large boy, and then he had to leave his home and his parents to go away and get ready for his own work in the world. He was to be the messenger of Jesus and tell the people that he whom all had expected so long had really come to this earth.

The beautiful life of Jesus was lived beside the sea, among the mountains, in the temple, and in the homes of those who loved him and wanted him with them. Once he preached a sermon, called "The Sermon on the Mount," and in it he taught the people how they should treat other people. Once he taught the story of the kind man from Samaria who found a sick man by the roadside and did for him just what he would like some one to do for him if he were sick and alone. Whenever we talk about that good Samaritan how glad everybody is that he did not pass by on the other side. We all feel as if we want to see him and thank him for his loving service to the sick man. One of those verses in the sermon Jesus preached says, "Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy." I am sure that when this man needed kindness there was some one ready to help him. Let us read about those who are blessed. [Read Matt. 5. 1-9.]

Explain unusual words: "Multitudes," "kingdom," "righteousness," "peacemakers."

OUTLINE.

Sunday. Attention Story, Bible lesson, and Golden Text.

Monday. Let the children talk of John and describe his appearance, food, clothing, and the importance of his work. Even a little child has his own work to do in the world. This lesson is connected with the lesson we had two weeks ago about faithful servants. If we are all ready to do our work we are prepared to be faithful.

Tuesday. Do you remember about the man who had many men to serve him, and one who was very ill at one time? The man asked Jesus to make the man well.

Wednesday. Let us talk about the prayer which Jesus has left for us to say. Whose father is "Our Father who art in heaven?" Are we glad to think of what he has done for us, and of his love to us?

Thursday. How glad we are to be trusted! If we are faithful and true in little things we shall be true and trusted in great affairs by and by.

Friday. Jesus said that when the work is all, all done "Our Father" will say to us the words of our Golden Text, "Come, ye blessed." That means we have tried to do right and to be gentle and loving, helpful and true.

NATURE WORK. Name some of the topics of nature work for the quarter, and each morning two or three children may choose which shall be reviewed. They may choose from the many animals, insects, flowers, moon, tides, fishes, wheat, fruits, and other topics of the preceding lesson.

ART WORK. Show some of the pictures which the children have seen during the quarter, and let each child name at least one thing he can distinguish in the picture.

HAND WORK. Let the children name some of the different objects which have been made to