

as soon as the feast was over, he was to go and hide in a cave near the guide post Ezel. "And I will come," said Jonathan, and make believe to practice shooting near by, and when I have shot three arrows I will say to my boy, 'Go and bring them.'

"If I shall say, 'The arrows are on this side,' it will mean that my father's anger is turned from you. But if I say 'The arrows are beyond,' then flee for your life. The Lord hath sent you away."

Now when David and Jonathan had again pledged their faith to one another and to God, they parted, David going to the cave and Jonathan, back to his father's court.

The next day Saul noticed that David was absent from the banquet table, and spoke so fiercely against him, that Jonathan saw he was determined to kill him. Jonathan, therefore, gave David warning in the way they had arranged, and after they had bidden each other farewell with kisses and many tears, David fled from the anger of Saul.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What was the name of Saul's son? 2. What did the king tell him to do? 3. Why did he not obey him? 4. How did he behave toward David? 5. For whom did David send when he was in trouble? 6. What did he ask his friend to find out for him? 7. What did Jonathan ask David to do for him? 8. What agreement did they make? 9. Where did Jonathan tell David to hide? 10. What was his plan for letting him know his father's mind? 11. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

There was once a young man who had been condemned by a heathen king to die.

"If you will let this young man go home and bid farewell to his parents," said his friend, "I know he will come back; but if not, I will stay and die in his place." So the king let him go.

At last the day came for the execution, but the young man had not returned, being delayed by storm and shipwreck.

His friend was already preparing to die for him, when he rushed in and saved him.

Now the king was so touched by what he

had seen and heard, that he set them both free. "I would give all my wealth to have one such friend," he said.

Lesson Hymn

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer! Amen.
—Hymn 404, Book of Praise

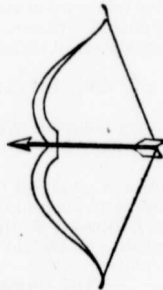
The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—42. What did Jesus do to save us from our sins? Jesus obeyed God's law perfectly, and died for us.

SHORTER CATECHISM—91. How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation? A. The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that doth administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of His Spirit in them that by faith receive them.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Have you ever seen people shooting at a mark with a bow and arrow? How pleased they were when their arrow struck right in



the centre! Disobeying God's law is like missing the mark, but doing His will is like hitting it fair in the middle. We learn to obey God, as people learn to shoot straight, by daily practising what He tells us.

**I Have Learned To-day
THAT GOD IS MY FRIEND**