

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FOURTH QUARTER.

[LESSON 4. PAUL BEFORE KING AGRIPPA. [Oct. 24.]

Acts 26. 19-32.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.—Matt. 10. 32.

MEMORY VERSES, 22, 23. (Read chaps. 25 and 26.)—Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:

That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should show light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

Paul was kept in prison in Cæsarea for two years. The governor after Felix was Festus. He asked Paul if he were willing to go to Jerusalem to be judged. But Paul said no, he would go to Rome, as he had the right of a Roman citizen to be judged by Cæsar. So Paul went back to prison to wait for a ship going to Rome. While he was waiting, King Agrippa and his sister Bernice came to visit Festus. One day they said they wanted to hear Paul speak. So he came in his chains, a poor prisoner, but with Christ in his heart. He told his story, and Agrippa was so moved that he said he was almost ready to become a Christian. Here Paul made the beautiful reply, "I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds."

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. How long did Paul stay in Cæsarea?

Two years.

2. Who came then to be governor?

Festus.

3. Where did Paul say he would be judged?

In Rome.