

That sweet comfort was mine,
When the favour divine
I received through the blood of the Lamb;
When my heart first believed,
What a joy I received,
What a heaven in Jesus' name!

No. 345, *New Hymn Book*. C.M.

Happy the souls to Jesus joined,
And saved by grace alone;
Walking in all his ways, they find
Their heaven on earth begun.

The Church triumphant in thy love,
Their mighty joys we know;
They sing the Lamb in hymns above,
And we in hymns below.

Thee in thy glorious realm they praise,
And bow before thy throne;
We in the kingdom of thy grace:
The kingdoms are but one.

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Salvation! O the joyful sound!
What pleasure to our ears!
A sovereign balm to every wound,
A cordial for our fears.

CHORUS.

Glory, honour, praise, and power,
Be unto the Lamb forever;
Jesus Christ is our Redeemer,
Hallelujah, praise the Lord.

Salvation! let the echo fly
The spacious earth around;
While all the armies of the sky
Conspire to raise the sound.
Glory, honour, praise, and power, &c.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

1. **Earnest Seekers**, v. 37-40. Who were they? What caused their earnestness? How did they show their earnestness? What two things did Peter tell them to do? What two blessings did he say they might receive? What is it to have remission of sins? To whom did Peter promise this? Does this promise apply to us?

2. **Glad Believers**, v. 41-43. What made them glad? Why should salvation be gladly received? How many were then brought into the Church? How did they show that they had found salvation? In what four good things did they persevere? What was the feeling among the people?

3. **United Christians**, v. 44-47. What made them united? How did they show their unity? What good example did they set for all Christians? What words of Jesus did they find true? Acts 20. 35. Where did they meet daily, and for what purpose? How were they regarded by other people? What caused other people to like them?

TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

Where in this lesson may we find—

1. How we should receive the Gospel?

2. How we may keep the Gospel?

3. How we may make others love the Gospel?

The Lesson Catechism.—(For the entire school.)—1. What did Peter tell the people

to do on the day of Pentecost? To repent and be baptized. 2. To whom did he say that God had given the promise of salvation? To them and their children. 3. How did the people receive Peter's words? With joy and gladness. 4. How many were on that day added to the Church? Three thousand people. 5. How did the believers show their love for each other? By giving as each needed.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION—Repentance from sin.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. **Earnest Seekers**, v. 37-40. What was the effect of Peter's first sermon? What is the first inquiry of an awakened conscience? What has Jesus enjoined as our first duty? Matt. 6. 33. What is a proof of real repentance? What gift is promised the obedient believers? How far did the promise of this gift extend?

2. **Glad Believers**, v. 41-43. To whom is the Gospel message always glad tidings? What sign of obedience did these believers give? What were the fruits of this first Christian service? What effect had the new faith on the outward life?

3. **United Christians**, v. 44-47. What bond now united these believers? Of what was this union a proof? 1 John 3. 14. What test of their faith did they furnish? Is a surrender of all their property required of all Christians? Why was it necessary, then?

PRACTICAL TEACHINGS.

What is the only door to eternal life?

What are embraced in this salvation?

In what is the prompt action of Peter's hearers our example?

How may believers best show their love for Jesus?

How should all our possessions be regarded?

QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

What did Peter tell the people? That they had killed the Lord Jesus. Did this trouble them? Yes, they felt very unhappy about it. What did the people say? "What shall we do?" What was Peter's answer? "Repent and be baptized." What is it to repent? To be sorry we have done wrong, and begin doing right. What promise did Peter tell the people? Of God's promise to them and their children. To whom besides was this promise made? To those far away from Jesus. What does this promise teach us? That God loves us enough to call us. What is the GOLDEN TEXT? How many were baptized? Three thousand. How did they show their new life? By their steadfast faith. Why did fear come upon them? Because of the mighty power of God. How did the believers live together? Like one great family. What was the spirit of their lives? Great gladness and singleness of heart. How did God bless them? By daily adding new souls to the church.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

What shall we do to be saved? Believe that Jesus is a living person. Believe that he has great love for us. Show our sorrow for sin by turning from it. Take him for our Saviour to-day.