

where is the caterpillar I saw going in there a long time ago?" and the cocoon answers me, "NOT HERE, RISEN." Pin a butterfly to the board. As surely as a flower comes from a seed, as surely as a butterfly comes from a caterpillar, so surely will our bodies be raised again. As much more beautiful, as the flower is than the seed, as much more beautiful as the butterfly is than the grub, will our resurrection body be in comparison to our earthly bodies. (Note). Read 1st Corinthians 15: 35-46.

## LESSON IV—April 25th, 1897.

### Peter Delivered from Prison. ACTS 12: 5-17.

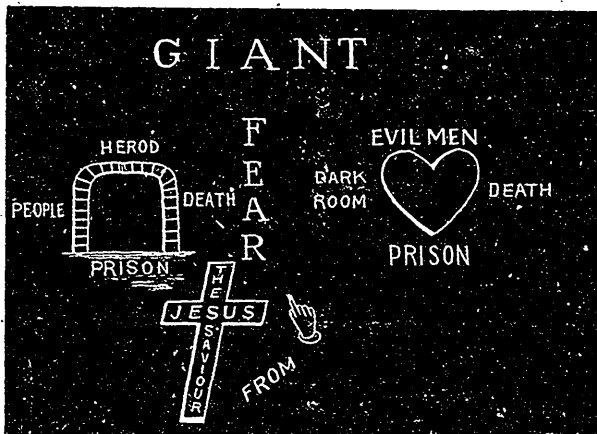
I. GOLDEN TEXT: "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." Ps. 34: 7.

II. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR THE QUARTER: Jesus the Saviour.

III. PREVIEW THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY'S LESSON: Jesus the Saviour from fear.

IV. REVIEW: (These questions are only suggestive. The Central Spiritual Truth and its teaching ought also to be recalled).

1. How long was the body of Jesus in the tomb?
2. On what day did he rise from the dead?
3. Who went first to the tomb?
4. What did the Angel say to them?



V. SYNOPSIS OF LESSON: Herod the King, Son of Herod the Great, in order to please the Jews, had put James the brother of John to death. With the same aim in view, he determined that he would kill Peter. The apostles were arrested about the time of the beginning of the Passover and the intention was, to keep him in prison until the feast was over. Prayer was made by his friends for his deliverance. The night

before Peter was to be killed, the Angel of the Lord came into the prison, smote Peter on the side, raised him up. His chains fell off and guided by the Angel, Peter girded himself and passed through the gate which opened of "its own accord." When Peter found himself in the street, the Angel departed from him; when he knocked at the door of the house of Mary the mother of John, a damsel named Rhoda, hearing his voice, ran in and told those who were praying inside, that Peter stood at the gate. They would not believe her, but as Peter continued knocking, they opened the door and when they had seen and spoken to him, he departed to another place.

VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON.

1. Have the Golden Text printed on the blackboard beforehand.
2. Begin with the Golden Text. What does the word FEAR mean? Make clear that the text means those who trust in Him, those who give him their hearts, who let him manage their lives, who obey him. It is a good plan to strike out a misunderstood word in the Golden Text and put in others that make the truth clearer. In this case the words TRUST and OBEY could be used instead of the word FEAR.