

"I CAN'T" AND "I'LL TRY."

"I CAN'T" is a coward with a very long face,

And with limbs that are shaky and weak;

Whatever the time, or whatever the place,
You will know if you once hear him speak;

There's a drawl in his voice and a whine in his tone

That stamp him a coward abroad or at home.

"I'll try" is a brave one—so stalwart and strong,

With a bright, cheery manner and word,
Who feels he must conquer before very long.

And who thinks giving up most absurd.
So when anything difficult causes a sigh,
Just take my advice, and call in "I'll try."

LESSON NOTES.

FOURTH QUARTER.

A.D. 30.] LESSON III. [Oct. 17.

JESUS DELIVERED TO BE CRUCIFIED.

John 19. 1-16.

Commit to memory vs. 14-16.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. John 19. 16.

OUTLINE.

1. The Kingly Man, v. 1-7.
2. The Cowardly Governor, v. 8-12.
3. The Murderous Crowd, v. 13-15.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

What did Pilate do with Jesus? He scourged him.

What did he allow the soldiers to do? To crown him with a crown of thorns, and dress him in a purple robe.

How did they mock and insult him? They made believe to honour him as a king, and struck him with their hands.

Who brought him out before the people in the robe and crown? Pilate.

What did Pilate tell them? "I find no fault in him."

What was the reply of the chief priests and officers? "Crucify him! crucify him!"

Why were they determined to kill him? Because they hated him.

Why did they hate him? Because he called himself the Son of God.

Why did Pilate ask Jesus where he came from? He began to feel that Jesus was not from God.

What did Pilate try to do? To set him free.

What was the cry of the Jews? "Away with him, crucify him."

Where was Jesus taken? Before the judgment-seat of Pilate.

What did Pilate ask the Jews? "Shall I crucify your King?"

What did they declare? "We have no king but Caesar."

What did Pilate do? (Repeat the GOLDEN TEXT.)

Why did Pilate do this? To please the people.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Do you think Pilate wanted Jesus to be crucified? If you can find what he said to the Jews three times, it will help you to answer the question.

After you have decided what you think, read Luke 23. 22; Matt. 27. 24; and verse 11 of your lesson.

DON'T FORGET.

"Jesus was wounded for my sins, beaten sore,

That I might sin no more."

"He was crowned with thorns, that I might wear

A crown of glory fair."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The wages of sin.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

What is your duty to man? My duty to man is to honour and obey my parents, to show respect to those above me, to speak the truth always, and to be just and loving to all.

How can you do this? I can do my duty to God and man only by the grace of God.

A.D. 30.] LESSON IV. [Oct. 24.

JESUS CRUCIFIED.

John 19. 17-30.

Commit to memory verses 17-19.

GOLDEN TEXT.

It is finished. John 19. 30.

OUTLINE.

1. The Cross, v. 17-22.
2. The Soldiers, v. 23, 24.
3. The Friends, v. 25-27.
4. The End, v. 28-30.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Where was Jesus crucified? At Golgotha, or place of a skull.

Who were crucified with him? Two thieves, one on either side.

What was written over his cross? "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews."

Were these words true? Yes, but the Jews refused to believe them.

Why did they ask Pilate to change them? For fear some of the people might think he was really their king.

What did Pilate refuse to do? To change what he had written.

Who divided the garments of Jesus among themselves? The soldiers.

What did they do with the coat? They drew lots for it.

What friends of Jesus were with him? His mother and John, his mother's sister and Mary Magdalene.

What did Jesus remember as he hung upon the cross? To tell John to care for his mother.

Whom does Jesus never forget? His friends.

How long did Jesus hang upon the cross? Six hours.

Why did he suffer on the cross? To save us from our sins.

What were his last words? (Repeat the GOLDEN TEXT.)

What was finished? The work his Father had given him to do for the salvation of the world.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

"I'll just take God at his word and deed,
Jesus died to save me, this I read;

And in my heart I find a need

Of him to be my Saviour.

And had there been in all this wide,
Sad world no other soul beside,

But only mine, yet he had died

That he might be my Saviour."

PRAYER.

Precious Jesus, take this heart of mine,
Make it pure, and wholly thine;
Thou hast bled and died for me,
I will henceforth live for thee.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The way of salvation.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

What is this grace? The grace of God is the power of the Holy Ghost, felt in our hearts, enabling us to do what otherwise we could not do.

How are we to seek the grace of God? We must seek the grace of God by earnest prayer in private and in the house of God.

LOVE OF MOTHER.

ONCE a lady who had three sons was going on a long journey. Before starting she asked that each one would bring her something to show his love for her. One brought a beautiful marble tablet bearing her name. Another a garland of the sweetest flowers. But the third came, saying, "Mother, I have nothing to bring but my heart, which is full of love for you, and which will follow you wherever you go." You may be sure that nothing could have pleased the mother so much; and, dear child, you can give your mother nothing so precious as your true love.