

shout : "Abner ! Abner ! where art thou ? Thou hast been careless this night. Thou hast not watched over the king. See ! Some one has taken his spear and cruse !"

Saul heard the loud talking and called, "Is that my son David ?"

"It is my voice, my lord, O king !" answered David. "Listen, I pray thee, to thy servant's words. Why dost thou seek to kill me ? What have I done ?"

Then Saul cried : "I have sinned ! Come back, my son David ! This night thou couldst have slain me in my sleep, but thou didst spare my life. Come back ! I will do thee no harm."

David answered, "Send over a man to get thy spear and cruse." Then he said words something like these, "As I have this night spared thy life, even so may the Lord show mercy to me."

David had won a victory that night ; for he had shown a loving, forgiving heart toward his greatest enemy.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Whither had David gone ? 2. Whom had he gathered about him ? 3. Who followed him ? 4. What did Saul wish to do ? 5. Whither did David go one night ? 6. Who went with him ? 7. What did they find king Saul doing ? 8. What did David's captain wish to do ? 9. What did David say ? 10. What did he take from Saul's side ? 11. To whom did he show these ? 12. Why did he show them ? 13. What did Saul say to David ? 14. Give David's

answer. 15. What promise did Saul make to David ? 16. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

What grace, O Lord, and beauty shone
Around Thy steps below !
What patient love was seen in all
Thy life, and death of woe !

O give us hearts to love like Thee,
Like Thee, O Lord, to grieve
Far more for others' sins, than all
The wrongs that we receive. Amen.

—Hymn 42, Book of Praise

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD DO GOOD TO THOSE
WHO HARM ME

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—27. Did Adam and Eve obey God ? No. They ate the fruit God told them not to eat.

SHORTER CATECHISM—17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind ? A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

The Question on Missions

7. What is industrial mission work, and why is it needed ? Industrial mission work is the teaching of boys and girls and men and women some useful trade. It is needed because in many cases those who become converts to Christianity are, on that account, unable to find employment amongst their heathen fellow countrymen.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

These words from the Golden Text (*copy*) tell us how we ought to feel and act towards those who injure us.

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES