

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

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

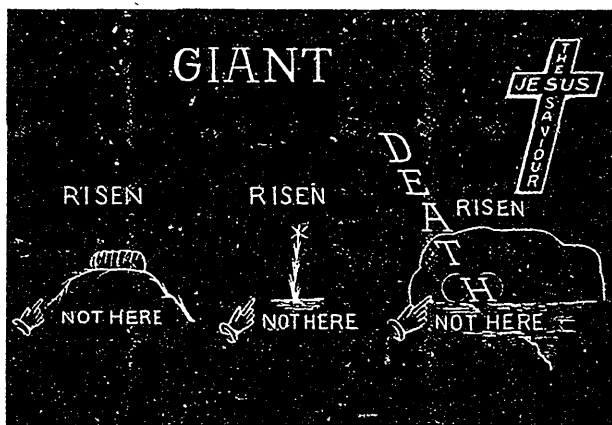
IV. REVIEW : (These questions are only suggestive. The central Spiritual Truth and its teaching ought also to be recalled).

1. What happened as Peter was one day on the house top?
2. What did the vision mean?
3. Where did Peter go after seeing the vision?
4. What was last Sunday's Golden Text?

V. SYNOPSIS OF LESSON : The account of the Resurrection that we study this year, is that given by Paul in his first Epistle to the Corinthians, Paul's argument is—If Christ be not risen, then—first—our preaching is in vain, second—your faith is also vain, third—we are false witnesses, fourth—ye are yet in your sins, fifth—they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished, sixth—we are of all men most miserable. Verse 20 begins with "But," and is very forcible, for following it comes Paul's testimony of the great truth of the Resurrection, first—Christ is risen—second—He is the first fruits—third—through Adam—a man—came death. Through Christ—the God man—shall all be made alive. Christ is the first fruits. After Christ, all who are his children shall be raised at his coming.

VI. SUGGESTIVE STEPS IN TEACHING THE LESSON :

1. Have the Golden Text printed on the blackboard before hand.
2. Who ever saw a dead person? What was done with the body? Do many people die? Bring out the truth that all must die and be buried. What a great giant death is.



When you are sure that the children appreciate this truth, ask the questions what becomes of the bodies after they are put in the grave? Do they always stay there?—for ever?

3. Now for an illustration. Here is a seed, (show one, a dry orange seed will be easily seen) is it dead? it looks to be, is the body dead when put in the grave? it looks to be, but let us bury the seed in the ground. (With brown chalk draw some ground on the board and then with white chalk make a mark for the seed). Let us bury it. Cover it with more brown chalk. Does the seed stay in the ground always? The warm sun and the soft rain will some day make it grow. See the green blade shooting up out of the ground and look at the plant growing, and growing and growing, until at last this beautiful flower appears. Draw on, or pin a flower to, the board. I go back to the ground and I say "Ground where is the seed I buried here," and the ground says "NOT HERE, RISEN."

4. Tell the story of the Resurrection of Christ. (a) His death, (b) His burial, (c) The angel sitting on the stone, (d) The earthquake, (e) the visit of the Women, the Disciples etc. As the story is told, draw roughly the tomb and the stone etc. Jesus was put in the tomb. When the women went to look for him the Angel said "NOT HERE, RISEN."

5. Golden Text. The bodies of the dead in Christ will not stay in their graves, but some day will leave them as Jesus did and like the flower will have an ever so much more beautiful body than that which is put in the grave. As much more beautiful as the flower is more beautiful than the seed.

6. Another Illustration. Tell the story of a caterpillar crawling up a tree, making the cocoon, burying itself within it and dying. In the spring I go to the tree and I say "Cocoon