

punishments in his lifetime. So the high priest came back and told Josiah what the prophetess had said.

Then Josiah gathered all the priests and the people together, and went up to the temple, and there he read to them all the words that were written in the book which the high priest had found. And the king stood up before the people, and made a solemn promise to the Lord that he would obey His laws and commandments with all his heart and soul. And he made his people promise that they too would obey God's laws. Then Josiah put away all idol worship out of his land, and during his lifetime the people worshipped only the one true God.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who was high priest when Josiah was king? 2. What did he find in the temple? 3. What sort of book was it? 4. What was written in the book? 5. How often should it have been read to the people? 6. Why had this not been done? 7. What did Hilkiah do with the book? 8. What did the king do when he heard it read? 9. Through whom did Hilkiah get a message from the Lord? 10. What was the message? 11. What did Josiah afterwards do? 12. What promise did he and his people make to the Lord? 13. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"Hate learning mem'ry verses", grumbled Dick. "So do I", echoed Bob. "Come, and I'll tell you a story", said father; and somehow the boys knew it would be about memory verses. "Long ago", he began, "a little boy I knew was in a ship that was wrecked. He was put into one of the lifeboats with a number of women and some sailors, and for a whole long week before they were rescued they drifted about starving and cold. And do you know what they said kept their courage up all that time? Just the beautiful chapters the little boy had learned in Sunday School, and which he repeated over and over again. He never forgot that experience, and that is why he wants his own boys to learn all the beautiful Bible verses they can." "You, father!" they both cried. "Yes," he smiled. "I think we

will always *love* to learn them after this" they whispered.

Lesson Hymn

Father of mercies, in Thy Word
What endless glory shines!
Forever be Thy name adored
For these celestial lines.

O may these heavenly pages be
My ever dear delight;
And still new beauties may I see,
And still increasing light. Amen.
—Hymn 118, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—39. Who did Jesus say that He was? Jesus said that He was the Son of God.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 94-97.

The Question on Missions

5. Why should we have a mission to the Jews? (1) Because we owe so much to them. Our Saviour Himself was a Jew, and so were the prophets and apostles. (2) Because they are so near at hand. (3) Because their prejudices against the Christian church are thereby removed. (4) Because, unless they become Christians, they are in danger of becoming infidels.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

Learn by heart these beautiful verses.
Surely we should always be glad when we are

We love the place, O God,
Wherein Thine honor dwells;
The joy of Thine abode
All earthly joy excels.

We love the word of life,
The word that tells of peace,
Of comfort in the strife,
And joys that never cease.

in God's house, where we hear from His Word how dearly He loves us, and how much He has done and is doing for us.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD LOVE GOD'S WORD