

How had Christ sent them into the world? Matt. 10. 16.

3. The Believers, v. 20-26.

What interest have we in Christ's prayer?
What is to be the destiny of all Christian believers?
What will be the effect on the world when this destiny is fulfilled?

What will be the effect on the disciple of the perfect indwelling of Christ?

What is the last request of this wonderful prayer?

What pledge to his disciples may have been in his mind? John 14. 2, 3.

What was the glory which Jesus had before the foundation of the world? John 1. 1-3.

Practical Teachings.

1. The prayer of Christ did not cease when these words were spoken. He ever liveth to make intercession for us.

2. Can it be that the eternal Word of God would pray for me? And shall I not love and obey him?

3. Am I allowing the work of sanctification to go on in my heart? It must come through God's word. Am I thus studying it to-day?

4. If Christ so prayed for us, we ought also to pray for one another.

QUESTIONS FOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARS.

1. The Son, v. 1-5.

What was the first prayer of Jesus?

Why did he seek to be glorified?

What power had been given the Son?

What gift was in his power?

What is life eternal?

What does Christ say of his own life?

For what did he now pray?

2. The Followers, v. 6-19.

What had Jesus shown his followers?

What had they learned?

How does Jesus show his love for them?

What was his prayer for them?

What had Jesus given them?

Whose hatred had they secured?

What did Jesus ask for them?

What special blessing did he seek for them?

3. The Believers, v. 20-26.

For whom besides did Jesus pray?

What was his prayer for believers?

What will secure this union? 1 John 3. 23.

What final blessing does he ask for all believers?

Teachings of the Lesson.

Where in this lesson do we learn—

1. The love of Christ for believers?

2. The union of Christ with believers?

3. The union of believers through Christ?

QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

What hour had come for Jesus? The hour of his death.

How did he wish his Father to glorify him? By raising him from the dead.

What does Jesus give to all who love him? Life eternal.

What is life eternal? To know God and his Son Christ Jesus.

What did the disciples both know and believe? That God sent his Son into the world.

What did Jesus ask his Father to do? To keep them one in faith and love.

For what did he earnestly pray? That they be kept from the sins of the world.

What had he given them to do? A great work. What did he want them to be? Holy as he was holy.

What would they show to the world? That they were one in Christ as Christ is one with God.

What would the world believe? That God loved them as he loved his only begotten Son.

What did Jesus will for his disciples? That they should be with him and see his glory.

Why did Jesus make known unto them the Father? That his great love might dwell in their hearts.

For whom did Jesus offer this prayer? For those who believe and trust in him.

Does Jesus still pray for his disciples? (Repeat the Golden Text.)

Words with Little People.

If your teacher had promised to punish one of your little playmates who had done wrong, and you should go and ask and plead with her not to do it, to forgive him for your sake, that would be interceding for your little friend.

God said he would punish sin and we have all sinned, but Jesus, precious Jesus, ever liveth to make intercession for us.

THE LESSON CATECHISM.

[For the entire school.]

1. What was Christ's prayer for himself to the Father?

"Father, glorify thy Son."

2. For whom did Christ pray on the last night of his life? For all who should believe on him.

3. From what did he pray that they might be kept? From the evil one.

4. What did he ask for them? That they all might be one.

5. What is Jesus now doing in our behalf according to the Golden Text? "He ever," etc.

TEXTS AT CHURCH.

Morning Text.....

Evening Text.....

ANALYTICAL AND BIBLICAL OUTLINE.

The Prayer of Christ.

I. THE PRAYER OF A SON.

Father, the hour is come.

"Declared to be the Son of God." Rom. 1. 4.

"A name which is above every name." Phil. 2. 9.

II. A PRAYER FOR DISCIPLES.

I pray for them, v. 9.

"We have an advocate." 1 John 2. 1.

"He hath chosen us in him." Eph. 1. 4, 5.

III. A PRAYER FOR ALL DISCIPLES.

Neither pray I for these alone, v. 20.

"Other sheep I have," John 10. 16.

"There is neither Jew nor Greek," Gal. 3. 28.

IV. A PRAYER FOR SAFETY.

Keep them from the evil one, v. 11.

Keep them from the evil, v. 15.

"Kept by the power of God through faith." 1 Pet.

1. 5.

"No man is able to pluck them out." John 10. 29.

V. A PRAYER FOR JOY.

That they might have my joy, v. 13.

"That your joy might be full." John 15. 11.

"Rejoice in the Lord always." Phil. 4. 4.

VI. A PRAYER FOR HOLINESS.

Sanctify them through thy truth, v. 17.

"Chosen.... to salvation through sanctification,"

2 Thess. 2. 13.

"Be ye holy, for I am holy," 1 Pet. 1. 16.

VII. A PRAYER FOR UNITY.

That they all may be one, v. 21.

"One body in Christ," Rom. 12. 5.

"Keep the unity of the Spirit," Eph. 4. 3-6.

THOUGHTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

An Interceding Saviour.

1. Remember that you have a Saviour who feels an interest in you, who thinks of you, and who pleads for you with his Father and ours.

2. Remember, too, that in the supreme moment of his life, just as the shadow of the agony and the cross was coming upon him, the Saviour's thought was not