

quake, a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire, a still small voice.

Then Elijah wrapped his face in his cloak, and went and stood outside the cave, and for the second time God asked, "What doest thou here, Elijah?" And the prophet returned him the same answer, saying, "I only am left among the prophets; and they seek my life to take it away."

Then the Lord told Elijah that he was mistaken in thinking there was no one besides himself on the Lord's side, for there were seven thousand people left in Israel who had not bowed themselves in worship to Baal. And to encourage him still further, the Lord now gave Elijah a new work to do. Bidding him hasten to Damascus, God told Elijah that he should there find and anoint three men for the special work of bringing the people of Israel back to serve and obey the true God. These were Jehu, Hazael and the young Elisha, whom God now promised should one day stand in Elijah's place before the people as the prophet of the Lord.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where did Elijah lodge in the wilderness? 2. Who spoke to him in the cave? 3. What question did God ask him? 4. What did Elijah answer? 5. Where did Elijah wait to see the Lord pass by? 6. Did the Lord show Himself in the storm? 7. Was He in the earthquake or the fire? 8. How did He at last show Himself? 9. What encouragement did the Lord give Elijah? 10. Upon what new work did He send Him? 11. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"Just wait until I catch that Joe Hamilton!" muttered Harold after school. "Look at my paints all smeared up, and the points broken off my pencils!" Harold went off in a rage, and the younger boys agreed that they would get to school early to-morrow to see Joe punished.

But when Harold got to school next day (so it seemed in his dream), there was One sitting in Joe's place with such a look of love and sorrow on His face that Harold felt ashamed. He did not speak, but His silence seemed to reprove Harold for his intended

revenge upon his school-fellow, who, after all, he remembered, had no one to care for him at home.

"My conscience must have been awake while I was asleep," said Harold to himself as he dressed, and though the boys came early, they never knew why Harold let Joe off.

Lesson Hymn

Lord of harvest, let there be
Joy and strength to work for Thee;
Let the nations far and near
See Thy light and learn Thy fear. Amen.
—Hymn 563, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—112. **What is meant by the wine in the Lord's Supper?** The blood of Christ, shed for our sins.

SHORTER CATECHISM—38. **What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?** A. At the resurrection, believers being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Little people, and big people, too, sometimes get discouraged, because they have hard things to do. Isn't it fine, to read



these words that God spoke, and to know that our Heavenly Father is close beside each one of us to give us the help we need?

I Have Learned To-day
THAT GOD HAS WORK FOR ME