7. What is likened to "floods of great waters"? How can men be safe from trouble?8. What promises does God make in v. 8? How is the stupidity of sin described?

9. What is the purpose of God in sending sorrows upon the wicked? Why is the believing man safe from all foce?

Something to Look Up

1. David wrote another Psalm confessing his sins. In it he asks God to create in him a clean heart. Find the text.

2. Where are we told that, if we confess our sins, the Lord is faithful and just to forgive us ?

ANSWERS (Lesson III.)—(1) 2 Sam. 4 : 4. (2) 1 Sam. 20 : 42.

For Discussion

1. Our need of mercy from God.

2. Forgiveness a free gift.

Prove from Scripture

That we must forgive to be forgiven.

The Catechism

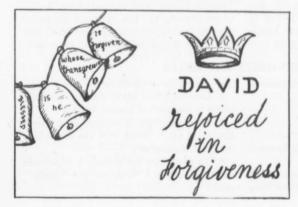
Ques. 101-103 (Review)—The Questions for review cover the first three petitions of the Lord's Prayer. They stand in the forefront, because they deal with God's character and God's claims. In teaching us to pray, our blessed Lord would have us think first of God. His name,—that it may be honored; His kingdom,—that it may be advanced; His will,—that it may be done: these are things that should concern us, even more than any blessings we desire for ourselves. If we would pray aright, we must rid ourselves of all selfishness, and desire above every thing else, that God may be known and loved everywhere, that everyone may be brought into His kingdom, and that all the world over men may do His will with loving hearts.

The Question on Missions

Ques. 4. The urgent demand for teachers has led to the appointment of some very poorly qualified men. Some people in a heathen village request a teacher. The missionary has no one fitted for the post ; but here is a man, though very limited in knowledge, yet he is a church member and may be able to do some good : hence he is sent. He at least may prepare the way for a better man when he can be found. The real teacher a heathen village soon becomes the leader in all improvements both material and moral: hence the need for good men and true. The principal work of a teacher in a new field is to speak to the people wherever he can find a hearer; conduct service with them as soon as he can get an audience ; teach wherever he can find a scholar. The life he leads is the most powerful factor in his usefulness.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Lesson Subject—The king rejoicing in forgiveness. Introduction—A little talk about music will serve to introduce this psalm of rejoicing.



You all love music. So did King

David. How many of you have a piano at your house? How many have an organ? I wonder if any of you have a harp. Did you ever see a harp? (You may have seen men on the street playing on the harp, and then passing a hat for coppers.) Perhaps the teacher can show a picture of a harp or draw an outline. King David played beautiful music on the harp, and he wrote the words and sang many beautiful psalms or songs of praise, to God.

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