

that you preach his message faithfully and earnestly. Be patient and diligent, for the time is coming when men will not listen to the truth, but will run after teachers who will flatter and amuse them.

"Last of all, my beloved son, be brave! for you will have to suffer many trials for the sake of your Master.

"Looking back over my own life," wrote the apostle, "it all seems like a battle or a race. Surely I can say, 'I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.'

"And now, even as the Roman champion in the games receives his wreath, so also there is waiting for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord shall give, not only to me, but to all who love Him, at the last day."

"FAREWELL"

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where did Paul spend his last days?
2. How did he employ his time?
3. Who was Timothy?
4. Why did Paul write to him?
5. What did he tell him about the scriptures?
6. Who had first taught him God's word?
7. From whom had he heard of Christ?
8. What was his work now?
9. How did Paul encourage him to behave in trouble?
10. To what did the apostle compare his own life?
11. What would the Lord give him at last?
12. The Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"I don't see the use of reading the Bible," said George, "I like a regular Indian story with lots of fighting."

"And I'd rather hear fairy stories," said Kate.

"But the Bible is the best book," said papa, and taking a globe from the shelf, he marked parts of the countries with black chalk. "These are the lands where there are no Bibles," he said, "and I make them black, because the people's lives are dark and unhappy."

"What does the Bible do?" asked George.

"It teaches people how to live good lives," and papa drew white marks through the black to show where the Bible had been carried and the good it had done. "Indian

and fairy stories are all very well," he said, "but that is the best book."

Lesson Hymn

Little travellers Zionward,
Each one entering into rest
In the kingdom of our Lord,
In the mansions of the blest.
There to welcome Jesus waits,
Gives the crowns His followers win:
Lift your heads, ye golden gates,
Let the little travellers in.

—Hymn 589, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—33. What will follow if we love sin and allow it to remain in our heart? If we love sin we cannot be the friends of God, or be with Him when we die.

SHORTER CATECHISM—83. Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous? A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Those who came out best in the games held by the Greeks had a crown of leaves



placed on their brows. That crown soon faded. But for each of His followers Jesus has a crown that is everlasting.

I Have Learned To-day
THAT I SHOULD BE HOPEFUL