

missionary, who, with two of his friends, Gaius and Aristarchus, had come to Ephesus.

Now we shall hear what all the noise and fuss was about. Those men who made images seized Paul's two friends and dragged them to the theatre, and the crowds followed, shouting and running. Paul would have followed them, but his friends held him back for fear the angry crowd might do him harm. The noise inside the theatre was worse than the noise outside had been. Some shouted one thing, and some another thing, and many did not know what the meeting was about. A Jew named Alexander stood before the people and tried to make himself heard. He was trying to tell them that the Jews had nothing to do with this trouble, but the crowd would not listen to Alexander because he was a Jew and did not worship idols himself.

For two hours they shouted, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians! Great is Diana of the Ephesians!" Then the town clerk came and quieted them. "What is the use of making all this shouting?" he said. "Everybody knows about the great Diana who is in our temple here. Be very careful what you are about. You should not have brought these two men here. They have not said anything against our goddess, and they are not robbing the temples. If the image-makers have anything against any one, let them take it before the judges. This is not the place to settle it. We may get into trouble for this riot and noise to-day." Then he sent them all out of the building.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What city do we hear about in our story?
2. Who was the great goddess of the Ephesians?
3. What did they think she did for them?
4. What did they do for her?
5. Where, besides in the temple, were images of Diana kept?
6. Who came to pray in Diana's temple?
7. What were sold in the streets?
8. What stranger came to Ephesus?
9. What did he tell the people?
10. Why were the imagemakers angry at Paul?
11. Who came with Paul?
12. Where did the imagemakers take these men?
13. What did the crowd do?
14. Who was Alexander?
15. Why did the crowd not listen to him?
16. What did they shout?

17. Who quieted them?
18. What did he say?
19. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole,
I want Thee forever to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe:
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

*Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow,
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than
snow. Amen.*

—Hymn 217, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—110. When Jesus Christ was about to leave the world, how did He ask to be remembered? Jesus appointed the Lord's Supper, and said, "This do in remembrance of Me."

The Question on Missions

8. Tell how a Sunday is spent at Pointeaux-Trembles. Early in the morning the boys and girls have singing practice, followed by a meeting of Young People's Society. At 11 in the forenoon and at 7 in the evening there are regular services in the chapel. At 3 in the afternoon there is the Sabbath School.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Color this image of Diana, the goddess whom the people of Ephesus used to worship.



How thankful we should be that we know the true God, who is our loving Father.

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD NOT BE GREEDY