

so hated Jesus said, "We will give you a great deal of money, if you will tell everybody that His disciples came at night and stole the body away."

For they were afraid that if the people heard the strange and wonderful story, they would think that Jesus had really been what He said He was—the Messiah, the Son of God.

So the soldiers did as they were told, and nearly all of the Jews believed.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What women went to Jesus' tomb?
2. Whom had God sent to roll away the stone from the door?
3. What happened to the soldiers when they saw the angel?
4. What did the angel say to the women?
5. Whom did the women meet as they went to tell the disciples?
6. What did they do?
7. What did Jesus say to the women?
8. To whom did the soldiers tell what had happened?
9. What did the chief priests offer them?
10. What were the soldiers told to do?
11. Did the Jews believe them?
12. G. Text?

Lesson Story

One bright autumn day, a little brown caterpillar crawled up on to a pine branch and made a round gray ball of a house, in which he curled up for his long winter sleep, tight and secure from the wind and cold. And on a spring day, when all the sleeping things in the wood were waking up, Bessie found the caterpillar in his little gray nest, and carried him home, where he soon woke up and came out of his cocoon house, no longer a fuzzy caterpillar, but a beautiful many-colored butterfly.

Jesus has come to tell us that death is only falling asleep for a little while, for although He Himself died, He rose again. And each little child who loves and serves Jesus here on earth, will rise, too, some day, and live with Him in His beautiful home in heaven.

Lesson Hymn

He who bore all pain and loss,
 Comfortless upon the cross,
 Lives in glory now on high,
 Pleads for us, and hears our cry :
 Hallelujah !

Now He bids us tell abroad
 How the lost may be restored,
 How the penitent forgiven,
 How we too may enter heaven.

Hallelujah ! Amen.
 —Hymn 60, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—128. What will become of the wicked at the Judgment Day? The wicked will then be driven away forever from the presence of God.

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.

The Question on Missions

47. What are some of the results of the mission? The whole field is occupied. There are 60 preaching stations, and 55 native preachers. There are 2,181 communicants. Large numbers, besides, have lost all faith in idols, and are interested hearers of the gospel.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Very strong the angel must have been who rolled away the stone from Jesus' grave. But how much mightier is the Saviour Himself



who rose from the dead. Surely He has power to raise from the grave all who trust and follow Him. Death will not be able to hold them any more than it could hold Him.

I Have Learned Today

THAT JESUS IS A LIVING SAVIOUR