

"When you knock at anyone's door, say, first of all, 'Peace be to this house'; and if they are glad to listen to your message, stay there all the time you are in that place. Go not from house to house. But if they should not let you in, the harm is to themselves. You have done your duty.

"If you should go to any Gentile city and they want you to stay, do not be afraid of their strange food, but eat what is set before you."

Then Jesus gave His missionaries power to cure sicknesses, for they were to heal as

well as preach. He said also, "If in any city they do not want to have anything to do with you, go into a public place and shake the dust off your shoes to show that you are not to blame for their sin."

By and by the messengers came back joyful and glad, saying, "Master, even the evil spirits obeyed us when we spoke in Thy name." Jesus said, "Behold I give you power over all evil things. You shall even step on scorpions and serpents without hurt. But rejoice, most of all, because your names are written in heaven."

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What would the messengers whom Jesus sent be called now? Ans. Missionaries. 2. Where did Jesus send them? Ans. To all the places where He Himself should come. 3. What was their message? Ans. Prepare to meet the Saviour. 4. What were they to do besides preach? Ans. Heal the sick. 5. How many were to go together? Ans. Two.

6. What did they tell Jesus when they came back? Ans. That even evil spirits obeyed them. 7. What did Jesus say ought to please them most? Ans. That their names were written in heaven. 8. What is the Golden Text? Ans. The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. 9. What were they to do? Ans. Pray for more laborers.

#### The King's Postmen

When Emperor William wants to send a letter to anyone, he never drops it in the letter-box or sends it by mail. He chooses among his officers and soldiers a young man whom he can trust to be his special messenger.

How proud that soldier is to be chosen, because it is a great honor to serve the king in this way! And so it is with Jesus. He is still looking for living messengers to carry His good news to the end of the world.



I HAVE LEARNED  
TO-DAY THAT

**I should do all I can for Jesus**



**Primary Catechism—110.** Can the washing with water take away our sins?

No. It is the blood and Spirit of Jesus Christ that cleanse from sin.

**Shorter Catechism—37.** What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

#### Lesson Hymn

O happy band of pilgrims,  
If onward ye will tread,  
With Jesus as your Fellow,  
To Jesus as your Head!

O happy, if ye labor,  
As Jesus did for men;  
O happy if ye hunger,  
As Jesus hungered then!

Amen.

—Hymn 307, Book of Praise