

him. I came and did not fast, and they say I am a glutton, and a friend of publicans and sinners."

But those whom the Spirit of God had made truly wise, understood that Jesus and John alike were doing and teaching God's will, each in the way God had commanded.

So we see that as Jesus went about from place to place some people got good from Him because they looked for it and some got nothing because they found fault with Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What did John the Baptist send to ask Jesus? 2. Where was John shut up? 3. What answer did Jesus send back to him? 4. How did Jesus then speak of John? 5. What did he say John was not like? 6. Whom did he not copy in dress? 7. Who were not greater than John? 8. Who were greater than John? 9. In what way had John offended the Jews? 10. In what had Jesus not pleased them? 11. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"I fell off my bicycle coming in from Cowan's, and a man got off his horse and helped me up and brushed me off, and was just as kind as if he knew me, and I never saw him before", Grant told his friend Jim.

"Why! that's my uncle, Colonel Merton", laughed Jim. "Isn't he great?" "But this man didn't look a bit like a soldier, and anyway, a great man like a colonel wouldn't pick up a little boy on a bicycle." "He mightn't look like a soldier, but he is one", said Jim, stoutly. "He says the only way to be a soldier of the king, is to try to be like what a king should be—and that's not only being brave and great, but it's being kind and good, too."

Lesson Hymn

Saviour, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus!

Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

Amen.

—Hymn 585, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—98. For whose sake do we ask God to hear and answer our prayers? We ask God to hear and answer our prayers only for the sake of Jesus Christ, His Son. **99.** For whom should we pray besides ourselves? God's Word teaches us that we should pray for all men.

SHORTER CATECHISM—20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery? A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

The Question on Missions

11. What is being done to encourage temperance among the foreigners? In some cases Temperance Leagues are formed to instruct the children. An effort is made to discourage drinking in the homes. It is believed, that, when proper methods of preparing food are better understood, the drink evil will be lessened.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

These tall reeds which you see in the picture are very easily swayed and bent by the



wind. Jesus wants us to stand true and brave when the winds of temptation blow upon us. Color the drawing.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD TRUST JESUS