

for you, my boy,  
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by his uncle's side  
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Sunday afternoon,  
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Golden Text she  
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re making fun."

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said the father.  
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r the pink leaves,  
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**THE CHILD AND THE MOON.**  
I should love to ride in the bright new moon,

And see where the wee stars go:  
I'm sure I could hold by her horns of gold,

As she sails in a tiny bow,  
I'd love to float from the evening star  
Straight into the milky way:  
And take a peep at the sun asleep,  
Where he rests till the dawn of day.

I'd like to see where the rainbows hide,  
When the days are sunny and fair,  
And ever so high in the starry sky  
I'd play with the golden bear.  
Oh! All night long I would have such fun

As I sailed in the wee new moon,  
That I'm sure the light of the morning  
Bright  
Would bring me to earth too soon.

## LESSON NOTES.

### SECOND QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE WRITINGS OF JOHN.

#### LESSON VII.—MAY 14.

JESUS PRAYS FOR HIS FOLLOWERS.  
John 17. 15-26. Memorize verses 20, 21.

##### GOLDEN TEXT.

I pray for them.—John 17. 9.

##### THE LESSON STORY.

We call the prayer which begins with "Our Father which art in heaven" the Lord's Prayer. It was given us by the Lord, but is really a prayer for all his children to use, while in the seventeenth chapter of John's gospel we have the prayer of our Lord for us. Here he pours out his divine love for the children he came to save and must leave alone in the world. He knew how weak they were, yet he knew also that he was going to come back to them by his Holy Spirit and make them strong to bear all things and to do all things for his name's sake. Our Lord was both God and man. On his human side he was the Elder Brother and beloved Friend of his disciples, while on his divine side he was their God and Saviour. We shall never know, even the wisest and best of us, the great love that was poured out for us in this prayer. The love of a mother praying for her dying child is nothing to it. It must be enough for little children to know that he wanted his disciples to stay in the world and preach the Gospel of the new kingdom of love, even if the evil powers of the world should make martyrs of them, but he wanted their souls to be kept from sin. He knew that his Holy Spirit could do this, and so he sent it, or rather he came again as the Holy Spirit of God, to live in them and in every soul who would let him ever after.

It is this Holy Spirit of God that makes Christians of one heart and mind. When they quarrel and are cold toward each other it is a sign that they need him. The light of his truth and the warmth of his love were shown in the sign of his coming on the day of Pentecost, for "cloven tongues" (double flames) "like as of fire sat upon each" disciple, and with them came the love and power to carry on the great Christian Church. It has gone all around the world, and will some day take every living soul into its fold.

##### QUESTIONS FOR THE YOUNGEST.

When did Jesus pray for his disciples? After the last supper.

Where did they then go? To the garden, where he was arrested.

Where was Judas during this prayer? Selling his Lord.

What was Jesus sorry to do? To leave his disciples alone in the world.

What did he know he was to do? Come back to live within them.

When did he come? On the day of Pentecost.

What was Jesus Christ? Both God and man.

What is he as man? Our Elder Brother and Friend.

What is he as God? Our Saviour from sin.

What did he pray for? That his disciples might be one in him.

What would this do for them? Make them strong in his Spirit.

What other thing did he pray for? That they might be kept from sin.

#### LESSON VIII.—MAY 21.

JESUS BEFORE PILATE.  
John 18. 28-40. Memorize verses 37, 38.

##### GOLDEN TEXT.

Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.—John 18. 37.

##### THE LESSON STORY.

Jesus had been arrested in the garden of Gethsemane, where he was praying for strength for the last trial. He had been in the palace of the high priest all night; then he was taken away through the streets in the early dawn to Pilate's judgment hall.

Pilate did not like to judge a man like Jesus, who had done nothing against any law that he could understand. He did not care for the matters of Jewish law, which was their religion. He tried to find out what Jesus had done, but they only said that he was worthy of death, and they wanted Pilate to sentence him; it was not lawful for them to do so. Then Pilate asked Jesus a question. "Art thou the King of the Jews?" he said. Jesus replied, "Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?" Then Pilate began to be angry, and said, "Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me; what

last thou done?" Jesus did not try to answer this question, for he had done nothing, but he told Pilate that his kingdom was not of this world—that his disciples would fight if it were, that he might not be given up to the Jews. "But now," he said, "my kingdom is not from hence." Pilate still asked, "Art thou a king, then?"

We do not know what Pilate thought, but he must have been moved by fear of that wonderful man who was able to disturb the mind of his judge. Pilate said, "What is truth?" There was no answer, and then he went outside to the waiting Jews and told them that he found no fault in the prisoner. He wanted to set him free, as was the passover custom. They would not listen to this, but asked that Barabbas, a robber, might be set free. And so Pilate let them have their way.

##### QUESTIONS FOR THE YOUNGEST.

Where was Jesus arrested? In an olive garden.

Who told the priests where to find him? Judas.

Where was he taken? To the high priest.

Where was he next taken? To Pilate.

Who was Pilate? Governor of Judea.

Was he a Jew? No, he was a Roman.

Did he want to put Jesus to death? No.

What did he try to do? He tried to save Jesus.

Did Jesus try to save himself? No.

What did he say of his kingdom? That it was not of this world.

Why did Pilate at last sentence him? That he would not listen to Pilate's judgment.

What did he come to bear witness to? The truth.

To please the Jews.

A successful merchant, an extensive employer of young men and young women, when asked to name the two qualities which most favorably impressed him in a young person, replied, without hesitation: "Loyalty and modesty." What a picture of true serviceableness and beautiful character in those two words! Bear it in mind, young friends, those of you who long to succeed in life. It is not apparent "smartness," or aggressiveness, or self-confidence, or polished manners, or the worldly air that wins the approval of an employer, but self-repression and faithfulness to trust. Be modest and loyal, and you will be valued and esteemed by those you serve.

#### A MORNING PRAYER.

Father, we thank thee for the night  
And for the pleasant morning light.  
For rest and food and loving care,  
And all that makes the day so fair.  
Help me to do the things I should,  
To be to others kind and good.  
In all I do in work or play  
To grow more loving every day.