

herbs and unleavened bread. So the people did as God commanded and took a lamb and roasted it with fire, and if it was too much for the meal of one family, their next neighbor and his family joined with them, for none was to be left over. As they ate, they were dressed for the journey, with their staves in their hands and their shoes on their feet, and they ate the feast standing, as men in haste to be gone.

And God said to Moses, "This is not the last time you shall keep this feast. After this it shall be kept among My people at the beginning of every year, and shall be called the Feast of the Passover, to remind you of the night in which I saved you alive, and brought you forth out of the land of Egypt."

And at midnight the Lord came and de-

stroyed the first-born among the Egyptians as He had said; *but every Israelite was safe because of the blood upon the door.*

Questions on the Lesson

1. How had the Lord promised to further punish the Egyptians? 2. What was His plan for saving the children of Israel? 3. To whom did He show His plan? 4. Did the people do as the Lord had said? 5. What was the name of the feast that was held that night? 6. Why was it called the Passover? 7. How often afterwards was it to be held? 8. What was eaten at this feast? 9. What was to be done if a lamb was too much for one family? 10. How were the people dressed? 11. Why did they stand to eat? 12. What is the Golden Text?

Christ our Passover

"Father," said Janie, "Why is it that we do not keep the Passover now? It says in to-day's lesson, 'Ye shall keep this feast forever.'"

"But we do keep it," said her father. "Every time we keep the Lord's Supper, we are remembering the Passover."

"How?" asked Janie.

"Because in it we remember that Jesus died for our sins. He took the place of the Passover lamb. Now, since His blood was shed for us, all who believe in Him are passed over or forgiven in God's sight."

"Oh," said Janie, "now I see the meaning of to-day's text—'Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.'"



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Christ's blood was shed for me



Primary Catechism—62. What is a Christian? A Christian is one who loves and follows Jesus Christ. **63.** What does following Jesus Christ mean? To follow Jesus Christ is to trust and obey Him.

Shorter Catechism—106. What do we pray for in the sixth petition?

A. In the sixth petition (which is, *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil*), we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

Lesson Hymn

O come let us sing
To the God of salvation,
To Jesus our King,
Who hath brought consolation,
Who in His own body
Hath opened a fountain
To cleanse all our sins,
Though as high as a mountain.
Amen.

—Hymn 546, Book of Praise