

that He could overthrow the Temple and build it again in three days."

It was quite true Jesus had used these words, but with quite a different meaning.

Now, although they were all so bitter against Him, He did not answer them a single word. This made them still more angry. Then the High Priest stood up and shouted at Him: "Why do you not speak?" But still Jesus said nothing.

Then Caiaphas asked Him one more question: "Are you the Son of God?" Jesus said: "I am; and some day you shall see me coming in the clouds of Heaven with power and great glory."

"Do you hear that?" roared the High Priest to the officers and Pharisees. "What shall be done with a man who calls Himself the Son of God?" They answered: "Punish Him; He is guilty of death."

Then those wicked men blindfolded Jesus

and made sport of Him, striking Him with their hands and saying: "Tell us who it was who struck you, if you are indeed Christ?" They even spat upon Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where was Jesus taken from the Garden?
2. Who were following afar off?
3. Where were the other disciples?
4. Who had been waiting to judge Jesus?
5. Whom had they brought to say Jesus had done wrong?
6. What was one of the things they said against Him?
7. How did Jesus behave before the High Priest?
8. Did this please him?
9. What question did he ask Jesus?
10. What did Jesus answer?
11. How did Jesus say His enemies should one day know Him?
12. How did they want to punish Him?
13. Who made sport of Him?
14. What did they do to Him?
15. What is the Golden Text?

A Grand Sight

There was once a young man who was so pure and good that he had a face like an angel. His name was Stephen, and he spent his time in helping the poor and sick, inviting them to come to church and hear the apostles preach.

Because he was so true to Jesus, some wicked men got up a quarrel against him

and took him out and stoned him to death.

While the stones were flying, Stephen saw a great sight. Looking up, he saw Jesus standing on the right hand of God and that kept him from minding the pain. Instead of answering back to his enemies, he prayed: "Lord! Lay not this sin to their charge," and after that he "fell asleep."



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is the Christ of God



Primary Catechism — 18. What do God's works tell us about Him? God's works tell us of His wisdom, His power, and His love.

Shorter Catechism — 66. What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?

A. The reason annexed to the fifth commandment, is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

Lesson Hymn

Should the world and sin oppose,
We will follow Jesus;
He is greater than our foes;
We will follow Jesus:

On His promise we depend,
He will succor and defend,
Help and keep us to the end;

We will follow Jesus.

Amen.

—Hymn 534, Book of Praise