

(recall). Draw a heart. Are our hearts all ready for Him? To-morrow we are all expecting gifts and planning to give gifts to others.

A Gift for Jesus—Let us prepare this gift for Jesus for His birthday. He wants our hearts full of love for Him, and He will give us the great gift of His love. He will be our Saviour. No other gift is so great as this.

Jesus' Names—Our Lesson also tells us of some other names for Jesus. Get the little ones to repeat these.

Wonderful—Can you tell something wonderful that Jesus said or did? Does he do anything wonderful for you? **COUNSELLOR**—Can you tell some good counsel Jesus gave? What does He say to you? **THE MIGHTY GOD**—Can you tell how Jesus showed Himself a mighty God? Is Jesus mighty to help you? **THE EVERLASTING FATHER**—Can you tell how Jesus acted like a loving Father? (He took little ones in His arms.) **THE PRINCE OF PEACE**—Can you tell how Jesus showed that He loved peace? Does He want you to be a loving, gentle peacemaker?

Pilgrim Songs—Some teachers may prefer to teach the Lesson, Psalms 121, 122. Describe the pilgrims going up to Jerusalem from all parts of the land, to worship God in the

temple during the great feasts. Describe some of the difficulties of traveling. The pilgrims would have to go on foot and have many hardships, but they went on their way praising God. They kept in mind the end of the journey, and as they climbed higher and higher towards the temple, their songs became more joyous. Read the two songs of the Lesson. How trustful the pilgrims were! How they loved God's house! It made them feel how near He was.

Golden Text—Repeat, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." As the star guided the wise men to the Saviour on that first Christmas Day, so Jesus is the Star that will guide us to God in heaven. We are all like pilgrims journeying to another life. Turn to Jesus and ask Him to show you the right way.

BE **HOPEFUL**
HAPPY
HELPFUL } PILGRIMS.

Hymn—Sing Hymn 581, Book of Praise, or Hymn 583. (Boys sing the first two lines of each verse; girls sing the rest of each verse.)

Something to Draw at Home—Draw a star, and at each point print one of the names of our Saviour, JESUS, in the centre.

Something to Remember—Jesus is a wonderful Saviour.

SUPERINTENDENT'S BLACKBOARD REVIEW

JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME!
LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING;
LET EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM,
AND HEAVEN AND NATURE SING.

Call attention to the note of joy that rings out in the Lesson. Twice in v. 2, "light," the emblem of joy, is mentioned, and in v. 3 we have "joy," "joy," "rejoice," like a peal of sweet Christmas bells. And what is to be the cause of all this joy? Why, it is the birth of a Child. Remind the scholars of Jesus' birth at Bethlehem, and the joy of the angels and of the shepherds. V. 6 tells us about this marvellous Child. He is a Prince, and He is the Prince of Peace. Refer again to the song of the angels at the birth of the Saviour, and show how the gospel makes peace wherever it goes. Is He able to cause peace to prevail all the world over? Yes, for He is "mighty." Give some examples of Christ's might. How Isaiah rejoiced as he looked forward to the coming of the Saviour! How much more should we be glad, since He has actually come! Sing the verse on the blackboard.