

creative days (some say literal days, others, periods) may be noted. It is a gradual bringing of order out of confusion; and the scale of life continually rises, till at last MAN is formed. Take in also the account in ch. 2 and mark these points: (1) Made of dust, (2) In God's image and likeness, (3) Male and female, (4) Perfectly holy and happy, (5) With lordship over the creatures.

WHY? No better answer can be found than that in Rev. 4: 11. The "for him" of Col. 1: 16 corresponds. How the first question in the Shorter Catechism answers to the first chapter of Genesis may be shown; and show too, that this is not a sombre, but a joyous and glorious view of life. It is inspiring—God rejoicing in man, man joyfully glorifying God in thought and word and act.

AND THEN? The day of rest, which is the origin and sanction of the Sabbath, and the type and prophecy of the eternal "rest that remaineth to the people of God."

Prove from Scripture

That God made all things very good

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

By Mrs. Jessie Munro Johnston, North Bay, Ont.

Connection—Our stories for a long time have been about Jesus and His work for us. Now we are going to hear about God the Father's wonderful works and ways with people on the earth, and of some of the great men of Old Testament times.

Plan for the Quarter's Review—Teachers are

Topics for Brief Papers

(To be assigned the Sabbath previous.)

1. "In the beginning."
2. How the earth was prepared for man.
3. The creation of man.

The Catechism Question

Ques. 84. *What every sin deserves.* The word "every" is not to be left out. The previous question states that, though God hates all sin, some sins are "more heinous" in His sight than others. Lest we should drop into the notion that any sin is trivial, the Catechism hastens to keep the balance right with this question and its answer. The Church of Rome makes a distinction between "venial" sins (easily pardonable) and "mortal" or deadly sin. Paul says, without any qualification, "The wages of sin is death," and he warrants the use of the strong language of the Catechism—"wrath," God's wrath (Rom. 1: 18); "curse," God's curse (Gal. 3: 13). Nor can there be any question of the punishment of sin extending into the world beyond. (See Matt. 18: 8; 25: 46; 2 Thess. 1: 9; Dan. 12: 2; Matt. 8: 12; Jude 13.)

familiar with the "Story Book" plan of Review. Prepare thirteen large sheets of white paper. On the first sheet paste the words "First Things" in gilt letters.

The Message of the Flowers—One day Carol's mother found her in the garden amongst the flowers, nodding and talking to them. "Ma-

ma, why do not the flowers talk?" said Carol. "They do, my dear," said mother, "they bring us sweet messages of God's love and care for everything He has made."

"God made the little birds (motion of flying) and flowers, (motion of scattering flowers)

And all things great and small; (spread arms)

He'll not forget His little ones, (fold arms)

We know He loves us all."
(No. 514, Book of Praise.)

