

**III. Conquering an Enemy.** vs. 16-17.

What effect had David's appeal upon Saul?

How did he show his softened feeling?

What confession did he make?

How did our Saviour command us to treat our enemies? Matt. 5: 43-45.

What counsel does Paul give on the same subject? Rom. 12: 17-21.

How does such treatment heap coals of fire upon their heads?

**What Have I Learned.**

1. That we are never to seek success or safety by wrong-doing.

2. That we are to treat our enemies with kindness and forbearance.

3. That we should seek to overcome evil with good.

4. That we are so to live that we can commit ourselves to God and find our defence in him.

5. That it is the glory of a man to pass over a transgression. Prov. 19: 11.

Sept. 22. — 1 Sam. 31: 1-13. Memory vs. 4-6.

**Death of Saul and His Son.**

GOLDEN TEXT.—Ps. 31: 16. Catechism, Q. 39.

**Introductory.**

What was the subject of the last lesson?  
Give an outline of the intermediate history:

What enemy came against Israel? ch. 28: 1.

How did the sight of the Philistine host affect Saul? 28: 5.

To whom did he go for help?

Why was his petition not answered?

To whom did he then go? 28: 7, 8.

What did he ascertain?

What is the title of this lesson?

Golden Text? Lesson Plan? Time? Place?

Recite the memory verses. The catechism.

**I. The King Slain.** vs. 7-19.

Where did the two armies meet?

What was the issue of the battle?

Which of Saul's sons were slain?

What did Saul ask his armor-bearer to do?

Why was the request refused?

What did Saul then do?

Who followed his example?

What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?

What makes Saul's death so sad.

**II. The King Dishonored.** vs. 7-10.

What did the Philistines do the day after the battle?

How did they treat the body of Saul?

What did they do with his head and armor?

How did they show their joy?

How did they dishonor the bodies of and his sons?

**III. The King Honored.** vs. 11-13.

Who rescued the bodies from this dishonor?

How?

How did they honor them?

What service had Saul rendered the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead?

**What Have I Learned.**

1. That God will certainly punish the disobedient.

2. That the strong become weak when God forsakes them.

3. That he who forsakes God will certainly be lost.

4. That the innocent sometimes suffer with the guilty.

5. That generous, noble deeds are not forgotten.

Sept. 29. — 1 Sam. 1: 31. — Golden Text, Ps. 133: 19.

**Review.**

What did Samuel say when the Lord called him?

What did the Lord foretell to Samuel?

What did Eli say when he heard the Lord's message?

What news was brought to Eli?

How did the news affect him?