

with Paul and Si'las; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Ja'son, and sought to bring them out to the people.

6 And when they found them not, they drew Ja'son and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

7 Whom Ja'son hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Cæ'sar, saying that there is another king, *one* Je'sus.

8 And they troubled the people, and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

9 And when they had taken security of Ja'son, and of the others, they let them go.

10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Si'las by night unto Be-re'a: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessa-lo-ni'ca, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honorable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

Paul and Si'las; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 But the Jews, being moved with jealousy, took unto them certain vile fellows of the rabble, and gathering a crowd, set the city on an uproar; and assaulting the house of Ja'son, they sought to bring them forth to the people. And when they found them not, they dragged Ja'son and certain brethren before the rulers of the city,

6 crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also; whom Ja'son hath received: and these all act contrary to the decrees of Cæ'sar, saying that there is another king, *one* Je'sus. And they troubled the multitude and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

7 And when they had taken security from Ja'son and the rest, they let them go.

8 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Si'las by night unto Be-re'a: who when they were come thither went into the synagogue

9 of the Jews. Now these were more noble than those in Thessa-lo-ni'ca, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, examining the scriptures daily, whether these things were so.

10 Many of them therefore believed; also of the Greek women of honorable estate, and of men, not a few.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessa-lo-ni'ca, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, examining the scriptures daily, whether these things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of the Greek women of honorable estate, and of men, not a few.

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Time.—A.D. 52. **Places.**—Thessalonica and Berea.

Home Readings.

M. Paul at Thessalonica and Berea. Acts 17. 1-9.

Tu. Paul at Thessalonica and Berea. Acts 17. 10-15.

W. The Gospel with power. 1 Thess. 1.

Th. The apostles' joy. 1 Thess. 3.

F. Search the Scriptures. John 5. 32-39.

S. Diligent study. Deut. 6. 1-9.

S. Scripture opened. Luke 24. 25-32.

Lesson Hymns.

No. 295, New Canadian Hymnal.

Father of mercies, in thy word
What endless glory shines!

No. 289, New Canadian Hymnal.

Sing them over again to me,
Wonderful words of Life.

No. 296, New Canadian Hymnal.

I love to tell the Story
Of unseen things above.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR SCHOLARS.

1. The Gospel Preached, v. 1-4.

- What journey did the apostles make?
- Where did Paul go to preach the Gospel?
- What great truth did he present?
- From what source did he draw his proof?
- What effect followed his preaching?

What was Paul's constant theme? See 1 Cor. 1. 23, 24.

2. The Gospel Opposed, v. 5-9.

- Who were the chief opposers?
- How did they show their opposition?
- What testimony did they give to the power of the Gospel?

In what sense does the Gospel turn the world upside down?

- What false charge was made against the apostles?
- What effect had these charges?
- What did the rulers do?

3. The Gospel Believed, v. 10-12.

- Where did the apostles next go?
- What traits of nobility did the Bereans show?
- What injunction of Scripture did they thus obey? See Isa. 8. 20.

Teachings of the Lesson.

Where may we find—

- 1. A lesson in churchgoing?
- 2. A lesson in searching the Scriptures?
- 3. A lesson as to the power of the Gospel?
- 1. Paul went to the synagogue to do good. Others who were there received good. God sends a message to willing ears. Hearers are as essential as speakers.
- 2. "They searched the Scriptures daily," "therefore many of them believed." That is a normal result. An honest searching of God's word will induce faith. So it did in Lord Lyttleton; so it did in Gilbert West. What did they each write as the result?