

spies were afraid and did not want the Israelites to go into Canaan. Only two of them, Caleb and Joshua, wanted the people to go forward. They remembered that God had promised to give them this land and so they were sure He would help them.

But the Israelites listened to the ten who were afraid, rather than to Caleb and Joshua, who trusted God, and would not go forward to conquer the land of Canaan.

Questions on the Lesson

1. To what land did the children of Israel now come near? 2. Why did they not enter it at once? 3. Whom did Moses send to find out what Canaan was like? 4. What wonderful fruit did the spies find? 5. How did they carry one bunch of grapes back to the camp? 6. How long were they away? 7. What good things did they say about the land? 8. What discouraging things? 9. How many of the spies were afraid? 10. What advice did they give the people? 11. What did the other two spies wish to do? 12. What were their names? 13. What did the people decide at last? 14. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"I'm not afraid to go upstairs in the dark," laughed Mary, holding on to mother's hand as she went up hippetty-hop. "Of course not," said Mother. "There is nothing up there to hurt you, and besides it won't be dark very long after I once light the lamp."

"Betty May says she wouldn't go up to bed alone for the world," went on Mary. "She's afraid. And I told her I never was, not even the night you're at prayer meeting, Mother, and I run up and get undressed all by myself. I told her that God takes care of us just as well in the dark as in the daylight, and she said she'd try to remember after this." "Trusting in God always makes people brave," said Mother.

Lesson Hymn

Soldiers of Christ! arise
And put your armor on!
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through His eternal Son;

Strong in the Lord of hosts,
And in His mighty power:
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror. Amen.

—Hymn 246, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—52. What promise did Jesus make to His disciples when He was going away? Jesus promised to send them another Comforter, or Helper, to remain with them forever.

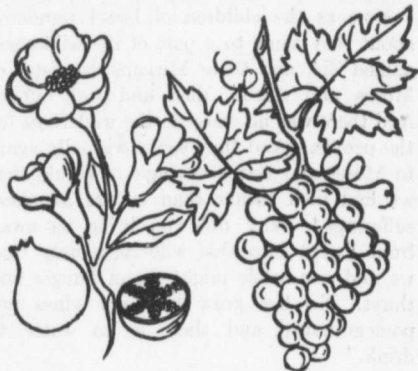
SHORTER CATECHISM—75. What is forbidden in the eighth commandment? A. The eighth commandment forbiddeth whatsoever doth or may unjustly hinder our own or our neighbour's wealth or outward estate.

The Question on Missions

3. How many people are there in this territory? About 1,500,000. They are a strong, intelligent, friendly people, mostly farmers, raising rice, millet and soy-beans and, in the mountains, oats and potatoes. There are also fishermen, shopkeepers and mechanics. All live in towns or villages.

SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

Here are some big reddish-yellow pomegranates and purple grapes which grew in



the Promised Land. Was not God good to give such things to His people? Color the drawing.

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD NOT BE AFRAID