

ture? "How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?" (Shorter Catechism, Ques. 22.) What blessings come to nations, families and individuals who heartily accept the Gospel? How widely is Christ's Gospel yet to be known? What can we do to make it known?

Topics for Brief Papers

(To be assigned the Sabbath previous.)

1. "The day of Midian" (Judges 7).
2. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts.
3. What the babe of Bethlehem has done for the world.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Connection—We have all been making garden since last Sunday. Here is the shape of our little flower bed. (Draw a heart.) What kind of seed have we been sowing?

The Lesson—This being so close to Christmas Day, greetings will of course be given. The children will be eager to speak of their gifts and expected pleasures on the morrow. Encourage the thought, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Long ago, before Christ came, the prophet Isaiah lived. He brought many messages from God to His people. Isaiah saw the people forgetting God, praying to idols, and doing many wicked things. He spent much time warning them. They were very unhappy, always in fear of death from their enemies. They went blindly on in the darkness of sin.

The Message—Read the beautiful message Isaiah brought (vs. 2, 6.) God promised to send His Son Jesus to be "the light of the world." He would send the little baby Jesus, and He would grow up to boyhood and manhood, so that he would know just how it felt to be a baby and a boy and a man, and could feel for us and help us in everything.

Jesus' Names—We always give names to our baby brothers and sisters. Jesus had many names. Isaiah tells us five of them.

Cut a large star of pasteboard covered with gilt on silver paper. On each point print

one of these names. Let five children stand before the class, the centre one holding the star. The first child says, "He shall be called Wonderful." (All repeat John 4: 42.) The next, "He shall be called



Counsellor." (Matt. 17: 5.) The next, "Mighty God" (John 1: 3). The next, "Everlasting Father" (John 14: 9). The next, "Prince of Peace" (Matt. 11: 29). On each corner of the star a piece of wax candle is fixed. Light these candles and sing or repeat, "The Light of the world is Jesus." (Adapted from "Pictured Truth" by Mrs. Crafts.) Tell of the fulfilment of this promise, the birth of the baby Jesus at Bethlehem. (Golden Text.)

Practical Thought—Jesus wants us to give our best—ourselves to Him. Let us do it this Christmas day.

"Benefit" Block—A wonderful Savior.—Hymn 520, Book of Praise.