

## SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FIRST QUARTER.

LESSON 5.] JESUS AND JOHN THE BAPTIST. APRIL 29.  
Luke 7. 18-28.

GOLDEN TEXT.—He hath done all things well.—Mark 7. 37.

MEMORY VERSES, 22, 23.—Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

*To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.*

## LESSON STORY.

You have not forgotten brave John the Baptist, who was so fearless in telling the people their sins and urging them to repent because the King was coming.

John had been thrown into prison for telling the truth, and maybe in his loneliness and sorrow he sometimes doubted if Jesus were really the great King he had believed him to be. So one day he sent two of his disciples, or friends, to ask Jesus if he were really the Messiah, or if they should still look for another. Jesus was busy doing good, and he kept right on with his good works of healing the sick, the blind, the deaf. When he had ended he turned to them and told them to go tell John what they had seen and heard. How glad John must have been when he heard these glorious things and felt in his heart that he had not been mistaken.

When you read the words Jesus spoke to his disciples then about John the Baptist they may surprise you a little. But think of them in this way. Jesus had come to bring the gospel of love and grace, and this is what he taught his disciples. John belonged to the old age of the law, and though he was a great prophet, yet a child with the love and faith of the gospel is greater than the wisest man who lives by the law.

## LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Where was John the Baptist?

*In prison.*