

The chief captain immediately sent Paul's nephew away, warning him to tell no one of what he had learned. Then, calling two of his centurions, he commanded them to get ready a large body of soldiers to take Paul, in the middle of the night, to Cæsarea, where Felix, the Roman governor of Judea, lived. So Paul was brought safely to Felix, with a letter from the chief captain describing all that had happened. Felix said to Paul, "I will hear thee when thine accusers are come." So Paul was kept in prison, in some part of the governor's palace, until his accusers should come down from Jerusalem to make their complaint against him.

### Questions on the Lesson

1. Whom did the chief captain call together? 2. Whom did he set before them? 3. What did Paul say he had not done? 4. What effect had Paul's words on the Council? 5. What did the chief captain command the soldiers to do? 6. Who appeared to Paul by night? Where? What did he say? 7. What did forty Jews do next day? 8. What did they ask the chief priests and elders to do? 9. Who heard of this plot? 10. Whom did he tell? 11. To whom was the young man then taken to tell his story? 12. What did the captain do to save Paul? 13. To whom was Paul taken in Cæsarea? 14. What did Felix say to him? 15. Where was he kept? 16. What is the Golden Text?

### Lesson Story

Neddy and Belle lived beside a great forest. They could hear the wolves howling at night; but they played safely round its borders in the day time, until one day they went too far, and were lost. Then what trouble and distress there was in the little home. The poor parents, together with the neighbors, searched all the long, dark night for the children, until just at daybreak they heard two little voices singing, "Jesus loves me"; and in another moment they were safe in their mother's arms. "I knew you would come", said Neddy, "for I prayed to God to send you; so we weren't afraid." "Neddy said that God always helps, if you keep on asking", Belle struck in, "and so He did."

### Lesson Hymn

God is our refuge and our strength,  
In straits a present aid;  
Therefore, although the earth remove,  
We will not be afraid.

—Ps. Sel. 34, Book of Praise

### The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—50. **What happened at the end of forty days?** After forty days Jesus went up to heaven. 51. **What is Jesus now doing for us in heaven?** He intercedes for us, and He rules over all things for our good.

SHORTER CATECHISM—31. *What is effectual calling?* A. Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, whereby convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he doth persuade and enable us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the Gospel.

### The Question on Missions

2. How large is the island of Formosa, and what is its population? Formosa is 264 miles long, and 80 miles wide at its widest part. Only about one-third of the island is cultivated, the other two-thirds are a mass of mountains. The population is about 3,000,000.

### SOMETHING TO DO AT HOME

What beautiful words these are to copy!

BE OF GOOD CHEER

They are Jesus' words to us, when we are discouraged, as they were to Paul.

**I Have Learned To-day**  
THAT JESUS WATCHES OVER ME