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THE TOOTHACHE. (See third page.)

 SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, SECOND QUARTER.

LESSON 8. THE CONFERENCE AT JERUSALEM. [MAY 23.

Acts 15. 1-6, 22-29.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.—Acts 15. 11.

MEMORY VERSES, 3, 4.—And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.

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

LESSON STORY.

While Paul and Barnabas were in Antioch some Jews came to that place who told the Christians that they ought to keep all the laws of the Jews. But Paul said that Gentiles, that is, men not Jews, need not keep all these laws.

When Paul and others had come to Jerusalem to settle this dispute there was a meeting of the believers, who wrote a letter to the Gentile Christians telling them not to trouble about keeping the law of Moses. The new law of love asks for the heart, and the right heart is very likely to do right acts. This letter was carried back to Antioch and read to the believers there, to their joy and comfort.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Who came to disturb the Christians at Antioch?
Wicked Jews.
2. What did they say the Gentile Christians must do?
Keep the law of Moses.
3. Why did Paul and Barnabas go to Jerusalem?
To settle the dispute about the law for Gentiles.
4. What new law had Jesus brought?
The law of love.

5. What did the apostles write?

A letter to the Gentile Christians.

6. What did it say?

That they need not trouble about the law of Moses.

When the heart is open wide,
Faith and love come in ;
Make them welcome, and they will
Stay and conquer sin .



THE TOOTHACHE.

Poor little Arthur has been suffering all day with the toothache. From the time he was a very small boy he has been very fond of candies, and although often warned against eating too many sweetmeats, nevertheless he never could keep his coppers, but always spent them on candies. So there is no wonder that his teeth began to decay when he was still quite young, and that he has suffered so much from the toothache.

Poor little fellow! We cannot help feeling sorry for him, though he has really caused the suffering himself. However, he has made up his mind not to eat so much candy, and he declares that when his second teeth come he will never touch anything sweet.



A BOY'S CONFIDENCE.

A little boy came to his father, looking very much in earnest, and asked, "Father, is Satan bigger than I am?"

"Yes, my boy," said the father.

"Is he bigger than you, father?"

"Yes, my boy, he is bigger than your father."

The boy looked surprised, but thought again and then asked, "Is he bigger than Jesus?"

"No, my boy," said the father; "Jesus is bigger than he is."

The little fellow, as he turned away, said, with a smile, "Then I am not afraid of him."



Ray H. Frank

MEASURING HEIGHTS.

Can you guess what these two little girls are doing with their dolls? They seem to be placing them back to back, and for what purpose do you suppose? Why, to see which is the taller, of course.

Reta and Greta are great friends. Their names are very much alike, as you see, and they are exactly the same age and the same height. They both got dollies on their birthdays, which were the same day, so they seem to be alike in a great many ways. There is just one way in which they are not the same.

Reta's papa is a rich man and lives in a fine house, but Greta's papa is not very well off, and lives in a pretty little cottage instead of in a big stone house. But that makes no difference to these two families, nor to the little girls. They are just as great friends as if they were both rich or both poor. They realize that wealth is not the best standard by which to judge people.