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OFF TO THE BEACH.

I wonder if there ever was a little boy or girl who did not enjoy playing in the sand. I think all will agree that it is one of the most delightful things a little child could do. These two wee ones in the picture have started off with their little spade and cart to have a morning's play by the lake shore. They do this every day and never seem to grow tired of it. They build forts, make canals, with splendid foundations of smooth stones. I hope all my little readers will have a chance this summer to play in the sand.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, SECOND QUARTER.

LESSON 5.]

THE TRANSFIGURATION.

[JULY 29.]

Luke 9. 28-36.

GOLDEN TEXT.—This is my beloved Son: hear him.—Luke 9. 35.

MEMORY VERSES, 33-35.—And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.

While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

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

LESSON STORY.

It is thought that beautiful Mount Hermon is the one up whose sides Jesus went one day with Peter and James and John. You know Jesus often went away alone to pray. But this time he took some of the disciples with him. Notice the visit Jesus received that night. Moses had been dead fifteen hundred years, and Elijah a thousand years, yet they came and talked with Jesus that night. When the disciples woke up out of their sleep and saw these shining ones there, do you not think they were sorry they had not kept awake! Sometimes we let our hearts go to sleep, and do not hear all that God wants to say to us.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Up what mountain did Jesus go one day?

Mount Hermon.

2. Who went with him?

Peter, James and John.

3. Why did he go there?

To pray.

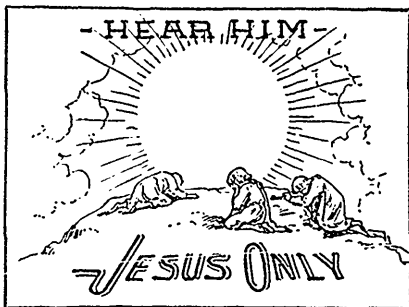
4. Who came from heaven to talk with him?

Moses and Elijah.

5. What change came to Jesus?

He became shining, like the sun.

6. How did the disciples feel when they saw this wonderful sight?
They were afraid.
7. Who spoke out of the sky?
God.
8. What did he tell them (and us) to do?
To listen to Jesus.



He whose face was like the sun,
And his garments glistening white,
He will lead us, every one,
Through our darkness to his light.

HARRY'S EVENING PRAYER.

BY ANNA PIERPONT SIVITER.

When my eyes grow sleepy quite
Mother whispers, "Dear, good-night.
It is time for sleepy-heads
All to seek their little beds."

Then down I kneel and softly pray,
These sweet words I've been taught to say:
Dear Lord, I lay me down to sleep,
And pray that thou my soul will keep

Help me to-morrow to be good,
To do and say the thing I should;
Give me my food, and clothes to wear;
Let me with all thy kindness share.

Teach me to happy be and glad;
To help some other child that's sad;
And some day let me live on high
With thee, dear Lord, beyond the sky.

HAPPY CHILDREN.

No one could say the little girls in the picture are "spoiled," could they? They don't look a bit like it. How much better to be called a happy child than a spoiled one. For, do you know, a spoiled little girl or boy is really never a happy one. Because, although they do get things their own way, they are sure not to be satisfied even then. Real happiness never comes when one has done wrong.



HOW OLD MUST I BE?

"Mother," a little child once said, "how old must I be before I can be a Christian?"

The wise mother answered: "How old will you have to be, darling, before you can love me?"

"Why, mother, I always loved you; I do now, and I always shall; but you have not told me yet how old I shall have to be."

The mother replied: "How old must you be before you can trust yourself wholly to me and my care?"

"I always did," she answered; "but tell me what I want to know." And she put her arms about her mother's neck.

The mother asked again: "How old will you have to be before you can do what I want you to do?"

Then the child whispered, half guessing what her mother meant: "I can now, without growing any older."

Her mother said: "You can be a Christian now, darling, without waiting to be older. Don't you want to begin now?"

The child whispered: "Yes."

Then they both knelt down, and in her prayer the mother gave to Christ her little one, who wanted to be his.