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When Love Repays

The nursery fire burns red as a rose,
And against the curtained window-panes
The purple twilight is pressing close,
And the wild, north wind at the lattice
strains.

Oh, scent of the woods! from the pine log
there,
Was there ever so safe and warm a nest?
Or up in the tree-tops anywhere
A drowsier birdling rocked to rest?

The lingering notes of a lullaby fall
Into silence more hushed and still
For the rockers' creak, the night wind's
call,
And the rose-leaf ashes that crumple and
spill.

Lie close, little burden of joy and delight!
Only for Mother the dream smile strays,
And the rapturous, sleepy sighs take flight.
This is the hour when Love repays.
—Scribner's Magazine

Some Bible Homes

By *Mary Isobel Houston*

THE HOME OF MARY AND MARTHA

What a flutter of excitement there must have been in the little home in Bethany where Martha and Mary lived with Lazarus, their brother, when they heard that Jesus was coming to visit in their home! They were not rich, nor were they numbered among the important people of this little village near

Jerusalem, but Jesus counted them among his warmest friends.

Nowhere in the little village, with its fine fig gardens and its terraced walls, could a better-kept house be found, not that the two sisters could afford servants to look after it, but Martha, the older sister, was known as a careful housekeeper. When Jesus honored the sisters and their brother with a visit, so busy was Martha preparing things for His comfort and getting the house in order, that she had little time to spend with the great guest. Mary loved Jesus quite as much as did her older sister, but when Jesus was with them she would neglect many of the tasks that Martha considered most important, and spend long hours listening to the wonderful words that the guest spoke to them.

Perhaps she felt that these precious visits must soon come to an end, and not a moment must be lost. Martha grew impatient with her sister's lack of interest in household things, while Mary could not understand Martha's indifference to the words of Jesus.

But they were alike in their great grief when Lazarus, the beloved brother, died. And when, three days later, Jesus came to the sorrowing home, they did not see how even He could do anything to help them. But He did help them, and by bringing the brother to life again, once more made the little home circle complete.

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Jesus, Saviour and King

By *Rev. J. M. Duncan, D.D.*

The title of the Quarter's Lesson, is, Jesus the World's Saviour and King, and in them

we shall see our dear Lord Jesus suffering many things, and at last dying to save everybody in the world, and then rising again to go up to His throne in heaven.

There are stories in the Lessons which will interest and delight the little ones. They begin with the account of Mary's anointing the head of Jesus with the precious ointment which had cost her so much. This is followed by the story of the feast in the upper room in Jerusalem, where Jesus gave His commands about the Lord's Supper, which is still observed in our churches. Then come the stories of Jesus praying in the garden of Gethsemane, of Judas betraying his Master, and of Jesus' arrest and trial.

We shall see, in another story, how Peter, in the courtyard of the high priest's house, denied, when he was tempted, that he had ever known Jesus, and then went out to weep bitterly for sorrow. In the stories that follow Jesus is seen before Pilate, the Roman governor, on the cross, and then risen from the dead.

After Jesus had risen again, He gave commands to His disciples, that they should go and tell all the people in the world about Him, and then, one day, He was taken up out of their sight into heaven, where He will reign as King for ever.

A Sunday Game

By Mrs. Marion Cruikshank

The foundation for this game I found in a magazine some years ago. It was called "A Picnic in Bible Land." With a Bible and a concordance the game may be varied considerably. For instance, once we "furnished a house," another time we "had a wedding," but this is "the picnic." Several found the references, while one wrote the story.

"One bright morning we were furnished with (Num. 7 : 7) and started off gaily, following (Ps. 27 : 11). On either side we saw stately trees, the (Jer. 1 : 11), the (Josh. 24 : 26), the (Ps. 52 : 8), and the tall (Ps. 92 : 12), the (Jas. 3 : 12) and the (Isa. 2 : 13). There were flowers, too, growing in shady nooks—the (Matt. 6 : 28), the (Isa. 35 : 1), and the flowering (Isa. 55 : 13).

There were birds flying high above us, the (Gen. 8 : 8) and (Lev. 11 : 15), the (Ps. 84 : 3), and we even saw a (Eze. 17 : 3), and the places (Ps. 104 : 17).

"In the open country, on either side were (Ps. 8 : 7) and (Ps. 104 : 18). In due time we came to a level place among the (1 Kings 19 : 11), and there we made a (Ps. 23 : 5), and prepared our feast. We had (Eccl. 11 : 1) and (Jud. 5 : 25) and (John 4 : 8). For vegetables we had (Num. 11 : 5). Our dessert was (John 1 : 48) and (Deut. 23 : 24) and (Ps. 19 : 10), and to drink we had plenty of (Prov. 25 : 25). After we (Mark 6 : 42) we had music and (Ps. 68 : 25). After playing games, we saw that (Mark 6 : 35).

"One of our number had been stung by (Ps. 118 : 12); another was chased by a (1 Sam. 17 : 34), and another fell from the (Num. 23 : 9), but no one was seriously injured, and we returned home with happy hearts."

St. John, N.B.

How to Use Bible Pictures

By Miss Alice A. Harding

The little child, with much delight, brings home its tiny picture card after the Sunday School teaching. Naturally, he desires to talk about the story to his mother.

Sometimes pictures are sent home to the absent children. In that case they have not had the teaching from the large picture in the School, and the mother will need to prepare the story for the child herself.

In picture study we must remember to deal with the picture as a whole, first, and the story it tells; and afterwards to talk about details. Let the conversation be so guided that the child will, first, have a connected account of what the picture means; and then, secondly, the details may be brought out by having the child look closely at the picture and ask you about some part which has not been touched in the general story. If the little one fails to notice, then the mother should ask a suitable question.

If the story has been learned at Sunday School, the home people should listen while it is told, or the plan may be changed—and, with children, a frequent change of plans is

always good—so that one time the mother is the listener and the child the teller, and, at another, the child is the listener and mother the teller.

When a collection of Bible picture cards has been made, the children might play a little game as follows. The cards are placed blank side uppermost, and from a number of them—say, five or six or more—one is chosen, turned over, the child looks at it, and then tells the story.

If several little class friends happen to be together, the game could be started as we have said, but the one telling the story could occasionally be stopped suddenly by the mother, and another child allowed to continue the story, and so on, giving just a small portion to each child, as though part had been forgotten.

This game is a fine little review of old stories in play form, and might be called, "Miss Forgetful's Story."

Another picture game which appeals to little ones may be called "The Hiding Game." Have a number of the old cards, face up, on the table. The mother or an older brother or sister tells one of the stories. After the story has been told, the little listener studies all the pictures, selects the right one, brings it to the teller of the story.

Still another, "The Golden Text Game," may be played thus. Place cards, picture uppermost, on the table, and repeat a Golden Text. Child finds card; then reverse, child repeating a Golden Text and the mother selecting the card and handing it to the little one for approval.

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Jesus' Little Ones

We are little travelers, marching, marching,
We are little travelers marching on ;
Walking in the narrow way,
Shunning paths that lead astray,
We are little travelers marching on.

We are little laborers, working, working,
We are little laborers working on ;
Never idling time away,
We are working all the day,
We are little laborers working on.

We are little soldiers, fighting, fighting,
We are little soldiers fighting on ;
Warring 'gainst the pow'rs of sin,
Foes without and foes within,
We are little soldiers fighting on.

We are little pilgrims, hoping, hoping,
We are little pilgrims hoping on ;
For a country better far,
Where our crown and kingdom are,
We are little pilgrims hoping on.

How the Fever Was Cured

John and Jenny had the "tattling fever," and really it was the most distressing disease that they had ever had. Instead of being bad for a few days, or even weeks, like the whooping cough or the measles, and then going away, it just stayed right along, and grew worse and worse all the time. Of course, the children were not happy when they had it, and nobody else around them could be happy either. Father and mother tried many remedies, but none of them seemed to do any good, until they thought of the one that I am going to tell you about.

When father came home from the office that night mother met him at the door, exclaiming, "Oh, father, what do you think the children did? Jenny broke a saucer, and John tore a hole in his coat."

"Such little things to tell father about," whispered Jenny, indignantly, to which John retorted promptly, "No littler than some you told mother about me to-day," and Jenny had nothing more to say.

At the supper table father remarked, "I had to walk up stairs to my office this morning. I rang and rang, but the elevator boy didn't pay any attention."

"The grocery boy left the gate open this morning, and so did the peddler that was here," complained mother.

"There was a big man on the street when I was coming home, and he bumped into me and nearly knocked my hat off," said father.

"John didn't come home for nearly ten minutes when I called him at lunch time," said mother, "and Jenny had company, and didn't help me any all the afternoon."

And so it went on. No merry talking at supper, no pleasant hour spent together afterward, for if father or mother spoke, it was to tattle about somebody. Jenny and John played quietly by themselves, wondering what could be making father and mother talk like that.

Presently John, who was painting with his watercolors, accidentally touched Jenny's dress with his brush. "Oh, mother," she began, and then stopped suddenly.

"Excuse me, please," said John.

"I will," said Jenny.

A few minutes later Jenny happened to touch John's arm, making him make a crooked line. "Mother," he began, "Jenny"—and then he stopped, too.

"Excuse me, please," begged Jenny, and then they both laughed.

When father was going up stairs to bed he said to mother, "If we have to keep up this tattling until the children are cured, I hope they will be cured pretty soon, for one evening has been about as much of it as I can stand."

"They're cured now," called a voice from the children's room, and another voice added, "We're tired of it, too, and we'll stop if you will."

"All right, it's a bargain," said father, heartily. And everybody rejoiced to be rid of the disagreeable tattling fever.—Olive Plants.

Helping Each Other

By Miss Emma Cuntz

Michael lay in his little white cot in the Isolation Hospital. He tossed to and fro in hot fever, calling "Vodé! vodé!" and, although the nurse did not know Russian, she knew little Michael wanted water, and she gave him a drink.

Only three days before, Michael had landed at Quebec, and now he and his two younger brothers lay sick with scarlet fever, and the mother and father were beginning their new home alone.

As the days went by, Michael no longer called "Vodé," but "Water," and often through the day the nurse could hear, "What's this?" "What is that?" as he asked the

little Canadian boy, in the next cot, the names of everything in sight. He would listen and then repeat the words he heard. "We are going to have dinner now," said Clifford, the Canadian boy. "We are going to have dinner now," repeated Michael, the Russian boy.

The weeks went by. Michael was getting stronger, but still needed care and good food. His little face was still very white and thin, and, as the kind nurse knew that Michael's father was unable to get work and that his mother had to cook the meals for eighteen boarders and could not give the boys the care they needed, he stayed some time longer in the hospital.

Sometimes Michael wanted to be out to see the wonderful country he had come to. He would say, "We will get very 'reech' in Canada. My tata (papa), he get beeg house. We not have beeg house in Russia. Not have much eat. Me so hungry some days. My mama have plenty beeg trouble in Russia.

"We go little church, not like beeg fine church. One day soldiers come, they make run, all people, they burn church and take our minister away to a bad prison. My mama cry much. Do bad soldiers burn churches in Canada?" "No! I should say not," answered Clifford. "Oh, how good, my mama, my tata (papa), me, Theodore, Peter, everybody go to church in Canada. Michael clapped his hands in glee, but stopped short when he saw Clifford with his head hanging and looking as if he had done something wrong. "I will go to church every Sunday when I go home." "Oh, my! do you not go to church?" said Michael, "and there are no bad soldiers to be scared of!" "Well," said Clifford, very slowly, "I just didn't bother going every Sunday, but I guess—well—I am going to go after this. Say, Michael, let's go to church together." "Oh, goody, yes we will."

Long after the time when all eyes should have been shut and all little boys off to the land of Nod, the nurse found Clifford and Michael whispering wonderful plans for church every Sunday, when they went home from the hospital.

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AN ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR PRIMARY CLASSES OR THE HOME LESSON

Fourth Quarter, 1914

I. RESPONSIVE RECITATION.

Teacher. O give thanks unto the Lord ; for He is good.

Class. For His mercy endureth for ever.

Teacher. O give thanks to the Lord of lords.

Class. For His mercy endureth for ever.

Teacher. To Him who alone doeth great wonders.

Class. For His mercy endureth for ever.

Teacher. Who giveth food to all flesh.

Class. For His mercy endureth for ever.

Teacher. O give thanks unto the God of heaven:

Class. For His mercy endureth for ever.

II. PRAYER.

“Friend so gentle, kind and dear,
Listen to Thy children here,
While they thank Thee for Thy love,
Shown in stars that shine above,
Shown in frost, in cloud o'erhead,
Shown in leaves of gold and red.
Hear us thank Thee.”

Followed by the Lord's Prayer.

III. SINGING. Hymn 518, Book of Praise.

IV. OFFERING.

V. THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE DAY. (See each Lesson.) The very little ones will not be expected to learn this by heart, but it may be repeated several times over, and any needed explanation given.

VI. CRADLE ROLL EXERCISE. Repeat:

“Bless all our Cradle Roll babies, wherever they may be ;
Although in homes so scattered, Thou every one dost see :
We love them and Thou lovest them, Oh ! may they grow to be
A band of little Christians, obedient Lord to Thee.” Amen.

VII. SINGING. Hymn 558, Book of Praise, vs. 3, 4. (These are the last two verses of the Supplemental Hymn for the Half Year. The verses should be learned one by one. As the little ones sing them Sunday after Sunday, they will soon come to know them by heart.)

VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON. Learn and repeat Scripture Memory Passage. For Those Under Six, The Lambs of the Flock, Mark 10 : 13-16. For Those Under Eleven, The Temple Song, Matt. 21 : 14-16. (A pretty Certificate in colors is awarded for the correct recitation of all the verses in the List of Passages for Those Under Six ; and a larger Certificate for the correct recitation of the complete List of Passages For Those Under Eleven.)

IX. LESSON HYMN. (See each Lesson.)

X. LESSON FOR THE DAY.

XI. PRAYER.

XII. CLOSING HYMN. No. 378, Book of Praise, vs. 1, 5.

Mark 14 : 1-11—*Memory Verses, 8, 9.

Golden Text—She hath done what she could.—Mark 14 : 8.

1 After two days was *the feast of the pass-over*, and of unleavened bread : and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put *him* to death.

2 But they said, Not on the feast *day*, lest there be an uproar of the people.

3 And being in Beth'any in the house of Si'mon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious ; and she brake the box, and poured *it* on his head.

4 And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made ?

5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her.

6 And Je'sus said, Let her alone ; why trouble ye her ? she hath wrought a good work on me.

7 For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good : but me ye have not always.

8 She hath done what she could : she is

come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.

9 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

10 And Ju'das Iscar'iot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.

11 And when they heard *it*, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus and His disciples came one day to the village of Bethany, where in a certain house a feast was made ready for Jesus. The house belonged to Simon, one of the chief men of the town. He wished to have everything of the best, because one of the guests was Jesus, his truest friend. It was no wonder that Simon loved his great guest, for he once had been ill with a dread disease, and Jesus had made him well.

There were other guests besides Jesus at Simon's feast. Jesus' twelve disciples and Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead, sat at the table. Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, were also in the house.

Presently, while Jesus and the friends were at the table, Mary came into the room. She carried a beautiful flask made of alabaster.

It was filled with a costly perfume. The perfume and its flask cost as much money as a workingman could earn in a year. It was one of Mary's dearest treasures.

Mary broke the alabaster flask, and poured the perfume over Jesus' head and over His feet. The sweet odor of her gift soon made the room as fragrant as a garden of flowers.

But the face of Judas, one of the guests, became dark with displeasure. This man, who was one of Jesus' own disciples, began to speak unkindly of Mary's gift. Then one after another of the guests began to frown upon her.

Judas said: "Why was this waste of the ointment made? It might have been sold for much and the money given to the poor." But Jesus said: "Let Mary alone. Why

*The Scripture Memory Passages of the Supplemental Leaflets are recommended as a substitute for those here given Sabbath by Sabbath. Their recitation leads to the obtaining of a beautiful Certificate or Diploma.

trouble ye her? She has done a great thing for Me. Ye have the poor with you always."

Jesus then remembered that He soon would leave His friends to go and live in the heavenly home. He said: "Ye will not have Me always. She hath done what she could for Me." Then He made this beautiful promise: "Wherever the story of My life shall be told throughout the whole world, this story of Mary and her beautiful gift shall also be told."

But the wrong love of money made the heart of Judas Iscariot grow harder and harder. He let it take away even his love for his master. He did not become sorry for his selfish, unkind words about Mary and her gift. He did not try to cast his evil thoughts out of his heart. And one sad hour he went to the rulers of the Jews, who were enemies of Jesus, and promised, for thirty pieces of silver, to help them to take Jesus prisoner. Judas began at once to plan how he could give Jesus into the hands of the rulers, who hated Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. To what village did Jesus and His disciples come? 2. In whose house was a feast made for Jesus? 3. What special reason had Simon for loving Jesus? 4. What other guests were at the feast? 5. Who else were in the house? 6. What did Mary bring into the room? 7. With what was the flask filled? 8. How costly was it? 9. What did Mary do with the perfume? 10. Who was displeased at her? 11. What did Judas say? 12. Give the answer of Jesus. 13. What promise did He make? 14. What took away the love of Judas for his master? 15. To whom did he go? 16. What did he agree to do? 17. How much money was he to receive? 18. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Jesus, of Thee shall be my song;
To Thee my heart and soul belong;
All that I have or am is Thine;
And Thou, blest Saviour, Thou art mine.

*Jesus, my Lord, I Thee adore;
Oh, make me love Thee more and more!*
Amen.

—Hymn 188, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—116. What is meant by the gospel? The gospel is the good news that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

SHORTER CATECHISM—101. *What do we pray for in the first petition?* A. In the first petition (which is, *Hallowed be Thy name*) we pray, That God, would enable us and others to glorify Him in all that whereby he maketh himself known: and that he would dispose all things to his own glory.

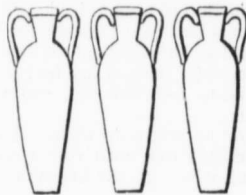
The Question on Missions

(Fourth Quarter, IMMIGRANTS IN CANADA.)

—1. Why are so many immigrants coming to Canada? Because they can live more happily here. It is easier for them to own their own homes, earn good wages, start their children in life, and be free from military or religious oppression.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The drawing (*copy*) shows some Eastern flasks like that in which Mary brought her precious ointment to anoint Jesus. How



dearly she loved Him! And we should love Him just as dearly, for He loves us as much as He loved Mary. And we, too, can show our love to Jesus by giving to Him the things which are of greatest value to us.

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD GIVE MY BEST TO JESUS

Mark 14 : 12-25—Memory Verses, 22, 23.

Golden Text—As often as ye eat this bread, and drink the cup, ye proclaim the Lord's death till he come.—1 Corinthians 11 : 26 (Rev. Ver.).



12 And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?

13 And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water : follow him.

14 And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

15 And he will shew you a large upper room furnished and prepared : there make ready for us.

16 And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them : and they made ready the passover.

17 And in the evening he cometh with the twelve.

18 And as they sat and did eat, Je'sus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.

19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, *Is it I?* and another said, *Is it I?*

20 And he answered and said unto them, *It is* one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish.

21 The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him : but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed ! good were it for that man if he had never been born.

22 And as they did eat, Je'sus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat : this is my body.

23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them : and they all drank of it.

24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

25 Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was Thursday in the city of Jerusalem, during the last week of Jesus' life on earth. In the evening the Jewish people were to keep the greatest feast of the year, the passover, which reminded them how, long, long before, God had delivered His people from the bondage of Egypt. The streets were filled with those who were making ready for the feast. Jesus and His disciples were to eat the passover together. But Jesus Himself had no house, either splendid or lowly, where He could make preparations for the feast.

The disciples asked: "Master, where shall we eat the feast?"

Jesus said to two of His disciples: "Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man

bearing a pitcher or jar of water : follow him." Now, carrying water was usually the work of women, and therefore the man whom Jesus meant would easily be known by the two disciples. "When ye have entered the house, say to the owner, 'The master saith, "Where is the guest chamber, where I shall eat the passover with My disciples?"'" And he will show you a large upper room furnished and prepared : there make ready for us."

The two disciples went to the city and found everything as Jesus had said. The owner of the house gave them the upper room, and they made ready for the feast.

In the evening Jesus and His disciples came. Jesus knew that this was like a fare-

well feast because He was about to go to the heavenly home. Many sad things would happen before morning.

Presently He said, "Truly, I say unto you that one of you which eateth with Me here to-night shall betray Me." Jesus meant that one of the twelve would help His enemies to take Him prisoner, that He might be put to death.

The disciples started with sorrow and surprise! They could not believe! Each one cried, "Lord, is it I?"

Jesus answered: "It is one of the twelve who are dipping with Me in the same dish." It was the custom at the passover feast to have one dish filled with a kind of sauce, into which several of those at the table dipped pieces of bread. Not long after that Judas Iscariot left the table and went out into the night.

Then Jesus took bread and blessed it and broke it and gave to His disciples. He also took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God and handed it to His disciples.

The master said a great many loving goodbye words as He sat with His friends. He said: "Do not forget Me. Remember always My love for you. Keep this supper often, as we are keeping it now. Keep it to help you remember Me."

Questions on the Lesson

1. To what day does the Lesson belong?
2. What feast was kept on this day?
3. Of what did this feast remind the Jews?
4. What question did the disciples ask of Jesus?
5. How many of them did He send to prepare for the feast?
6. What directions did He give them?
7. When did Jesus and His disciples come to the upper room?
8. Who did He say would betray Him?
9. What question did the disciples ask?
10. What answer did Jesus give?
11. In what special way does Jesus ask us to remember Him?
12. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

We taste Thee, O Thou living Bread,
And long to feast upon Thee still;
We drink of Thee the Fountain-head,
And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

O Jesus, ever with us stay,
Make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase the dark night of sin away;
Shed o'er the world Thy holy light. Amen.

—Hymn 418, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM — 117. What command did Jesus give about the gospel before He left the world? Jesus told His disciples to go and preach the gospel to all the world.

SHORTER CATECHISM—102. What do we pray for in the second petition? A. In the second petition (which is, *Thy kingdom come*) we pray, That Satan's kingdom may be destroyed; and that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into it, and kept in it; and that the kingdom of glory may be hastened.

The Question on Missions

2. Where do the immigrants chiefly come from? Almost equally from Britain, continental Europe and the United States. Most of the British are from England; most of the continental Europeans are Slavs from Russia and Austria; while most of those from the United States are farmers from the middle states.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Here is a man carrying on his shoulder a jar of water, like the man to whom Jesus sent



His two disciples. Color the drawing, and remember that we should be as ready as this man to do what Jesus asks of us.

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD REMEMBER JESUS

Lesson III.

IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

October 18, 1914

Mark 14 : 32-42—Memory Verses, 34-36.

Golden Text—Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation.—Matthew 26: 41.

32 And they came to a place which was named Gethsem'ane : and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray.

33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy ;

34 And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death : tarry ye here, and watch.

35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36 And he said, Ab'ba, Father, all things are possible unto thee ; take away this cup from me : nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou ? couldest not thou watch one hour ?

38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

39 And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words.

40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him.

41 And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest : it is enough, the hour is come ; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

42 Rise up, let us go ; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The feast of the passover was past. Jesus and the eleven disciples who loved Him sang a hymn together. Then they left the upper room where they had been eating and went out into the night.

It was very late. Shadows from the houses fell across the pathway. Jesus and the disciples walked to a gate in the city wall. They went outside, and across a deep valley. The valley was named Kidron, and it lay between the city of Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives.

Jesus led His disciples toward a garden on the side of the Mount of Olives. In this garden grew great olive trees and many bushes. It was a pleasant place to go on a summer day. It was a quiet, shadowy place at night.

As they walked along, Jesus said : "You all will have a sorrowful time to-night. Indeed, you will be tempted to leave Me."

Peter spoke first. He said : "Ah, master, if all the others should leave Thee, I will not ! I am ready to go to prison with Thee ! I am ready to die with Thee !"

Jesus sadly answered, "Peter, even this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny Me three times."

But Peter again boasted : "If I should die with Thee, I will not deny Thee." And all the others said, "No, no, we will not deny Thee."

By and by they reached the garden. Jesus left eight of His friends to watch at the gate. He took with Him Peter and James and John, and went farther into the garden. He said to these friends : "I am sad and troubled to-night. Wait for Me here and watch." Jesus wanted to have the three disciples near Him, that He might feel their sympathy and be comforted by it.

Jesus then went still farther into the shadows of the trees. He knelt upon the ground, and prayed to the heavenly Father, asking that, if it were possible, He might be saved from the cruel death of the Cross. After His prayer He came back to His three disciples, and found them all asleep.

Jesus said, "Peter, could you not watch with Me one hour?" But Jesus forgave the disciples, for He knew they were weary with sorrow for Him. At the same time He warned them that they should watch and pray, lest they should be tempted and fall.

Again Jesus went to pray; again He returned to find them asleep. Their eyes were heavy and they knew not what to say, so very much ashamed were they, that the master should come and, for a second time, find them sleeping instead of watching.

A third time He went alone among the shadowy trees to pray; and again the three disciples fell asleep. But the heavenly Father had sent Jesus strength and rest and bravery. Jesus said, "Sleep on now, and take your rest."

Soon Jesus heard the tramp, tramp, tramping of feet. He said to His disciples: "The hour is here! He that hath betrayed Me is coming! Arise, let us go." Judas knew the place where he so often had been with his master and the disciples. Judas well knew where to find Jesus. He led Jesus' enemies right to the garden.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What feast was past?
2. Across what valley did Jesus and His disciples go?
3. Into what garden did they enter?
4. What warning did Jesus give to the disciples?
5. What did Peter answer?
6. What did Jesus then say to Peter?
7. How many of the disciples were left at the gate of the garden?
8. Which disciples did Jesus take with Him farther into the garden?
9. How often did Jesus go to pray alone?
10. What did the disciples do each time?
11. What did Jesus say to them the last time?
12. What did He hear?
13. Who did He tell the three disciples was coming?
14. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Lo, at midnight, who is He
Prays in dark Gethsemane?

'Tis the Lord: O wondrous story!

'Tis the Lord, the King of glory!

At His feet we humbly fall;

Crown Him, crown Him, Lord of all.

Amen.

—Hymn 538, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—118. Has this command been completely fulfilled?
No; there are still many people in the world who have never heard of Jesus, and who worship idols.

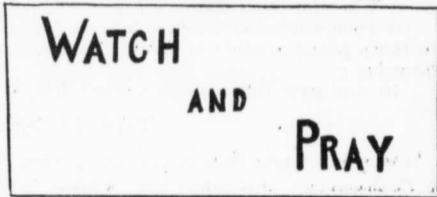
SHORTER CATECHISM—103. What do we pray for in the third petition? A. In the third petition (which is, *Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven*) we pray, That God, by his grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to his will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.

The Question on Missions

3. What does Canada gain by the coming of the immigrants? Both money and people. Each year at least ten million dollars are brought in. The people are a great working force to till the soil, build the railways, tend the machines and excavate the minerals of this big, rich, new land.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Copy these words of the Golden Text, and try to do what they tell you. For every day you will be tempted many times to do wrong,



and, unless you watch and pray, you cannot be kept safe. These are the words of Jesus Himself, and He knows just what we ought to do; and if we always do what He bids us; we shall never go wrong.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD WATCH AND PRAY

Lesson IV.

JESUS AND JUDAS

October 25, 1914

Matthew 26 : 47-50 ; 27 : 3-10. Study Matthew 26 : 14-25, 47-50 ; 27 : 3-10—Memory Verses, 3-5.

Golden Text—Woe unto that man through whom the Son of man is betrayed !—Matthew 26: 24 (Rev. Ver.).

47 And while he yet spake, lo, Ju'das, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.

48 Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he : hold him fast.

49 And forthwith he came to Je'sus, and said, Hail, master ; and kissed him.

50 And Je'sus said unto him, Friend, wherefore art thou come ? Then came they, and laid hands on Je,sus, and took him.

Ch. 27: 3 Then Ju'das, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us ? see thou to that.

5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.

6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the

price of blood.

7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.

8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jer'my the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Is'rael did value ;

10 And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was dark night time in the olive garden of Gethsemane. Jesus had been talking to His disciples. They were tired and had fallen asleep. Jesus had been praying to the heavenly Father.

Presently the light of a lantern flashed out. Men carrying torches drew near. Soldiers carrying swords and staves marched right to the garden.

The men with swords and staves were looking for Jesus. One man led the crowd. He knew just where to take those who followed him. He was one of Jesus' own disciples, Judas, the disciple who carried the bag containing the money which belonged to Jesus and the Twelve.

Judas had offered to tell the high priests and the elders where to find Jesus. He had promised to give Jesus into their hands for

thirty pieces of silver. He had said, "Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is He : hold Him fast."

When Judas drew near he saw Jesus. He said, "Hail, master !" Then he kissed Him.

Jesus said : "Judas, betrayest thou Me with a kiss ?"

Then Jesus said to the men, "Whom seek ye ?"

They answered : "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus said : "I am He."

When the rough men who had come with swords and weapons saw Jesus and heard Him speak these words, they fell to the ground in amazement. For they felt that they were in the presence of one who was much greater than any mere man could be, and so they were afraid when they saw Jesus.

Again Jesus said to them, "Whom seek ye?"

They again said, "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus answered, "I have told you that I am He."

Then He said, "If ye seek Me, let these, my disciples, go." For Jesus, although He was willing to go forward to sufferings and death Himself, wished to save His friends and followers. The men then took Jesus and bound Him and led Him away.

Judas saw his master being led a prisoner ! He held the money, the price of Jesus' life, in his hands ! He saw, too late, what he had done ! In all the whole, wide world there was not so wretched and despairing a man as he ! How he hated the glittering money ! How he hated himself !

He hurried back to the chief priests in the temple, and cried : "I have sinned ! I have sinned ! I have betrayed Jesus ! He is innocent !"

The chief priests answered, "What is that to us ?" They had used Judas to carry out their wicked purpose against Jesus, and now that Jesus was in their hands, they did not care what become of poor Judas.

Judas threw the thirty pieces of silver to the ground and they rolled into the Holy Place of the temple. Then this wretched, sinful man rushed out into the night and hanged himself.

Questions on the Lesson

1. At what time were Jesus and His disciples in the garden ? 2. Who came to take Jesus prisoner ? 3. By whom were they led ? 4. What sign had Judas given for knowing Jesus ? 5. What did Judas say when he came near to Jesus ? 6. What did he do ? 7. What did Jesus ask of Judas ? 8. What did He ask of those who came to take Him prisoner ? 9. Give their answer. 10. What did Jesus then say ? 11. What then happened to those who had come to take Jesus ? 12. How did Judas feel when he saw Jesus a prisoner ? 13. To whom did he go ? 14. What did he say to them ? 15. What was the chief priest's reply ? 16. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

True-hearted, whole-hearted, faithful and loyal,

King of our lives, by Thy grace we will be !

Under Thy standard exalted and royal,
Strong in Thy strength, we will battle for Thee.

*Peal out the watchword, and silence it never,
Song of our spirits rejoicing and free,—
'True-hearted, whole-hearted, now and for ever,
King of our lives, by Thy grace we will be!'*

Amen.

—Hymn 245, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—119. What does God's word tell us about the spread of the gospel ? God's Word tells us that the gospel shall be preached in all the world before the end comes.

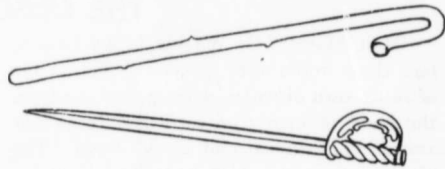
SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 101-103.

The Question on Missions

4. What are the perils of large immigration ? It takes work from Canadian laborers who cannot live as cheaply as the foreigners. It overcrowds the central sections of cities, increasing their vice and disease. When the immigrants become citizens, they are often unable to vote intelligently, and political corruption is encouraged.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Think of people coming with swords and staves such as are shown in the drawing (*copy*) to take Jesus a prisoner ! And all the



while He loved them and longed to do them good. How careful we should be to do nothing that would hurt Jesus, seeing that He loves us also.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD BE LOYAL TO JESUS

Lesson V. THE ARREST AND TRIAL OF JESUS November 1, 1914

Matthew 26 : 57-68. Study Matthew 26 : 47-68—Memory Verses, 63, 64.

Golden Text—As a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before her shearers is dumb ; yea, he opened not his mouth.—Isaiah 53: 7 (Rev. Ver.).

57 And they that had laid hold on Je'sus led *him* away to Cai'aphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.

58 But Pe'ter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.

59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Je'sus, to put him to death ;

60 But found none : yea, though many false witnesses came, *ye* found they none. At the last came two false witnesses,

61 And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.

62 And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing ? what *'s it* which these witness against thee ?

63 But Je'sus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

64 Je'sus saith unto him, Thou hast said : nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall

ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy ; what further need have we of witnesses ? behold, now ye have heard this blasphemy.

66 What think ye ? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

67 Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him ; and others smote *him* with the palms of their hands,

68 Saying, Prophecy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee ?

THE LESSON RETOLD

"Hail, Master !" We saw, in last Lesson, how these words were spoken by Judas, one of Jesus' own disciples, who stepped out from the band of men who carried lanterns and swords and staves, and kissed Jesus. The kiss was the sign which Judas had given by which the enemies of Jesus might be able to distinguish Him from the twelve disciples. Judas had sold his master for thirty pieces of silver—that is about twenty dollars of our money. This was the price which was usually paid amongst the Jews for a slave.

Then men began to bind Jesus. Peter could not bear the sight. He had with him a sword, and he drew it out of the sheath. With the sharp edge he struck the ear of a servant named Malchus, and cut it off.

Jesus turned to Peter and said : "Put up thy sword, Peter. Dost thou not know that even now I can pray the Father for help and

He will send Me a host of angels to save Me from all My enemies ?" And Jesus healed the ear of the wounded man.

Jesus asked the band of men : "Whom seek ye ?"

They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus said, "I am He." The men fell back in amazement.

Again Jesus said, "Whom seek ye ?" and again they answered, "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jesus replied, "I have told you that I am He."

Jesus was then taken prisoner, His hands were bound behind His back, and He was taken away to the palace of Annas. Now Annas had been the high priest, and was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was the high priest at that time. Annas asked Him some questions about His disciples and about His work. He wanted to puzzle Jesus and lead

Him to give answers that would give an excuse for asking the Roman ruler of the land to put Jesus to death. After Annas had finished his questions, he sent Jesus to the palace of Caiaphas, the high priest.

People came and spoke falsely about Jesus. They said He had broken the laws. Two men cried, "He said He could destroy the temple of God and build it again in three days." Now Jesus had once spoken words something like these, but His meaning was that, if His enemies should destroy His body in death, He would on the third day rise again.

Caiaphas said to Jesus: "Hearest Thou what these men say against Thee? What hast Thou to say?" Jesus answered not a word. For He knew quite well that Caiaphas did not desire to find out the truth, but to discover some reason why Jesus should be put to death.

Then Caiaphas said: "Art Thou the Christ? Tell us. Art Thou the Son of God?" Jesus answered, "I am."

Caiaphas then tore his clothes to show his horror. He cried: "Ye have heard what He said. What think ye?"

They all answered, "He is guilty of death!" And they began to insult Jesus and to strike Him with their hands, asking Him to tell who it was that struck Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. How did Judas make Jesus known to His enemies in the garden?
2. What did Peter do when Jesus' enemies began to bind Him?
3. What did Jesus say to him?
4. What did Jesus do for the wounded man?
5. To whom was Jesus then first taken?
6. What did Annas do?
7. To whom was Jesus then sent?
8. What false story was told of Jesus?
9. What did Caiaphas at last ask of Jesus?
10. What did Jesus say?
11. What did the Jewish rulers say that He deserved?
12. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

He was afflicted—He was afflicted;
On Him lay the sins of us all;
As a lamb to slaughter led,
So the lowly Saviour bled,
To redeem us from the curse of the fall.

Blessed Jesus! kind Jesus! the meek, lowly Jesus!

We bless Him for all He has done. Amen.

—Hymn 547, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—120. What part should you take in giving the gospel to the heathen who have never heard of a Saviour? If I cannot go myself to tell them about Jesus, I should pray for them, and give of my money to send Bibles and missionaries to them.

SHORTER CATECHISM—104. What do we pray for in the fourth petition? A. In the fourth petition (which is, *Give us this day our daily bread*) we pray, That of God's free gift we may receive a competent portion of the good things of this life, and enjoy his blessing with them.

The Question on Missions

5. What does the state do for the immigrants? It protects them on their journey to Canada. It helps them find work or a homestead. It admits them to all the rights and privileges which we Canadians enjoy. After three years they may become citizens.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the drawing (*color*) we see a high priest in all his splendid robes. Think of how Jesus



told Caiaphas, the high priest, that He was the Son of God. If that is true, then we should love Jesus with all our hearts and serve Him faithfully every day.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT WE SOMETIMES HURT JESUS

SOWING AND REAPING—WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

November 8, 1914

Galatians 6 : 1-10—Memory Verses, 1, 2.

Golden Text—Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.—Galatians 6 : 7.



10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness ; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

4 But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

7 Be not deceived ; God is not mocked : for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption ; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing : for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them

THE LESSON RETOLD

In a letter written by the apostle Paul, called the Epistle to the Galatians, now part of the Bible, he tells those to whom he is writing that it is the duty of all Christians to act kindly towards one another, but especially towards any who have committed faults. "If," says Paul, "a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness ; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." Paul meant, that when we see any of those round about us doing what is wrong, we should not speak harshly of them, but help them to do right. For that is the way in which we should like others to act towards us. That, too, is how Jesus would act.

Paul reminded the Galatians, too, that all Christ's followers are brethren, and that they should try to comfort and help any who are not so well off as themselves, remembering that Christ laid down His life for others. "At the same time," said Paul, "let each man feel that he is responsible to God for all that

he does, and he will then not require to depend too much on others."

Knowing how easy it is, even for Christians, to become proud of their own goodness, Paul wrote, "If a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself, but God can never be deceived. Be very sure that whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Paul meant that all young people should be especially careful to form good habits. For a boy or girl to indulge in acts of ill-temper, self-indulgence or any form of intemperance is like planting evil weeds in a garden. In time they will choke out the good, and yield a harvest of sorrow and death. "But he that soweth to the Spirit," says the Apostle, "shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting," for good thoughts and habits will yield a harvest of honor and rejoicing. To encourage the Galatians to be steadfast, Paul wrote these words : "Let us not be weary in well-doing : for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Questions on the Lesson

1. What is an epistle? 2. Who wrote the Epistle to the Galatians? 3. To whom were they told to be especially kind? 4. Why are Christians to be gentle with wrong-doers? 5. How should they behave to those in trouble? 6. Why should they bear the burdens of others? 7. What does Paul say about conceited persons? 8. What bad habits does he warn young people against? 9. To what do such things lead? 10. What promise is given to those who form good habits? 11. What is meant by sowing to the flesh? 12. What is meant by sowing to the Spirit? 13. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

One day, last summer, a wasp-like ichneumon fly laid its eggs in the body of a caterpillar. When the eggs were hatched, one of the tiny creatures bored its way into the body of the caterpillar. Here it lived day after day, feeding silently upon the body of the caterpillar, who meanwhile, had begun to build its cocoon. But, sad to say, when the chrysalis was complete, out flew, not the expected butterfly, but its deadly enemy, the ichneumon-fly, who had entirely devoured the body of its sleeping host. Many sins are like this. A wicked habit will eat its way into the heart, until, after a time, it becomes master of the life.

Lesson Hymn

Spirit, aiding all who yearn
More of truth divine to learn,

And with deeper love to burn ;
Hear us, Holy Spirit.
Holy, loving, as Thou art,
Come and live within our heart,
Never from us to depart :
Hear us, Holy Spirit. Amen.
—Hymn 116, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD NOT USE STRONG DRINK

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—121. What becomes of our bodies when we die? When we die our bodies return to dust. 122. What becomes of our souls when we die? The good go to heaven and the wicked go to hell.

SHORTER CATECHISM—105. *What do we pray for in the fifth petition?* A. In the fifth petition (which is, *And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors*) we pray, That God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; which we are the rather encouraged to ask, because by his grace we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.

The Question on Missions

6. Are immigrants a permanent addition to the population? Not always. Some become dissatisfied and return home or go to the United States or other countries. An increasing number come from, and return to, Europe each year. But the great majority remain and blend with the native stock.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Copy these words, and resolve to do nothing that will at last bring you sorrow.

We reap that which we sow

Lesson VII.

JESUS AND PETER

November 15, 1914

Mark 14 : 53, 54, 66-72. Study Mark 14 : 27-31, 53, 54, 66-72—Memory Verses, 71, 72.

Golden Text—Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.—1 Corinthians 10 : 12.

speak.

72 And the second time the cock crew. And Pe'ter called to mind the word that Je'sus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

53 And they led Je'sus away to the high priest : and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes.

54 And Pe'ter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest : and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.

66 And as Pe'ter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest :

67 And when she saw Pe'ter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Je'sus of Naz'areth.

68 But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch ; and the cock crew.

69 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them.

70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Pe'ter, Surely thou art *one* of them : for thou art a Galilæ'an, and thy speech agreeth *thereto*.

71 But he began to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not this man of whom ye

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was during the night-time that Jesus was seized in the garden and taken a prisoner, first to Annas and then to Caiaphas. In most of the houses in Jerusalem the people were fast asleep. But lights were burning in the palace of Caiaphas, the high priest.

In one of the rooms Jesus was standing, a prisoner, before Caiaphas. Along with Caiaphas were a number of chief priests and elders and scribes, who belonged to the Sanhedrin, the great council of the Jews. The high priest was asking Jesus questions.

Now the palace of Caiaphas was built round an open square courtyard, with a stone floor. The windows of the upper room in which Jesus was looked out on the courtyard. Down in the stone courtyard the servants were busy about their work. It was cold, and a fire had been built in the middle of the courtyard. Soldiers were there, waiting for orders. Some of them were warming themselves by the fire.

All the disciples had run away for fear when Jesus was taken prisoner in the garden ; but Peter and John came back again. John knew some of the people in the palace and they let him enter. Then he went back and asked the maidservant who kept the door to let Peter, also, come in. The fire in the courtyard burned brightly. After a while Peter drew near, to warm himself.

Presently one of the maidservants looked at Peter and said, "Thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth."

Peter was frightened. He exclaimed, "I know not what thou sayest." Then he went out into the porch, which led from the street door into the courtyard.

While Peter stood in the porch the cock crew. It was strange that he did not remember that Jesus had said: "Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny Me thrice." These words had been intended to warn Peter of the danger of being tempted to deny Jesus,

and if he had only thought of them he would have been safe.

Presently another servant saw him and said: "This man is one of them. He was with Jesus of Nazareth." But Peter again exclaimed: "I am not! I do not know the man!"

Afterwards another servant spoke to Peter. He was a relative of Malchus, whose ear Peter had cut off. He said, "Did not I see thee in the garden with Him?" The third time Peter declared, "I know not this man of whom ye speak!" Poor Peter not only denied that he had ever known Jesus, but, at the same time, he began to curse and swear to prove that he had nothing whatever to do with the master.

Peter had no sooner denied Jesus this time than the cock crew again. At this moment Jesus, who had been brought down from the upper room and was passing through the courtyard, turned and looked at him. The look of the master made him remember the words, "Ah, Peter, before the cock crew twice, thou shalt deny Me thrice."

Sorrow and shame filled Peter's heart. So short a time before he had boasted: "I will never leave Thee! I am ready to die with Thee!" And this night he proved himself a coward! Peter rushed out into the night weeping. He was truly and deeply sorry for his sin of denying Jesus, and we may be sure that the loving Jesus forgave him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. At what time was Jesus taken before Caiaphas? 2. Who were with Caiaphas? 3. What was the courtyard of the palace like? 4. Where had a fire been built? 5. How did Peter get into the courtyard? 6. What did one of the maidservants say to him? 7. What was his reply? 8. Who next charged Peter with being a disciple of Jesus? 9. What was Peter's answer? 10. Who accused Peter the third time of being a disciple of Jesus? 11. Give Peter's answer. 12. What happened immediately after this? 13. How was Peter made sorry? 14. How did he show his sorrow? 15. Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Alas! that I should ever
Have failed in love to Thee,

The only One who never
Forgot or slighted me.
O for a heart to love Thee
More truly as I ought,
And nothing place above Thee
In deed, or word, or thought.

Amen.

—Hymn 192, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM — 123. **What is heaven?** Heaven is the holy and happy place where Jesus is. 124. **What is hell?** Hell is a place of woe, where the devil and evil spirits are.

SHORTER CATECHISM—106. *What do we pray for in the sixth petition?* A. In the sixth petition (which is, *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil*), we pray, That God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

The Question on Missions

7. How many of the immigrants are Presbyterians? Practically all from Scotland and Holland, many of those from Ireland, Wales, Hungary and the United States, and some of those from England, France, Belgium, Germany, Italy and other countries.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Learn by heart this verse of Hymn 258, Book of Praise, and remember that it is a prayer which we all ought to offer. For there

From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

is some sin from which each of us needs to be delivered every day, and no one save Jesus can deliver us.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD BE BRAVE

Lesson VIII.

JESUS AND PILATE

November 22, 1914

Matthew 27 : 11-26. Study Matthew 27 : 11-31 ; Luke 23 : 1-25—Memory Verses, 22, 23.

Golden Text—Pilate saith unto them, What then shall I do unto Jesus which is called Christ?—Matthew 27 : 22 (Rev. Ver.).

I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.
20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barab'bas, and destroy Je'sus.

21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barab'bas.

22 Pi'late saith unto them, What shall I do then with Je'sus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

23 And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

24 When Pi'late saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person : see ye to it.

25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

26 Then released he Barab'bas unto them : and when he had scourged Je'sus, he delivered him to be crucified.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Pilate was the name of the Roman governor who ruled over Jerusalem. He had power to take away life as a punishment for crime. He had power also to set a prisoner free.

Very early on Friday morning, after the dreadful night in the palace of Caiaphas, the enemies of Jesus led Jesus to Pilate. Pilate said, "What has this man done?"

The men answered : "We would not have brought Him to you if He had not done wrong."

But Pilate could see no fault in Jesus. He said, "Take Him yourselves and judge Him."

The men cried, "It is against the law for us to take away a man's life." Then they began to think of faults in Jesus to tell to Pilate. Some cried, "He stirs up mischief among the people." Others cried, "He calls Himself Christ, the king!" They thought that this would induce Pilate to punish Jesus, for Pilate was the servant of the Roman emperor, and might be expected to be very angry at any one else who should call himself a king.

Pilate said to Jesus: "Hearest thou what

11 And Je'sus stood before the governor : and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Je'sus said unto him, Thou sayest.

12 And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

13 Then said Pi'late unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?

14 And he answered him to never a word ; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.

15 Now at *that* feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.

16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barab'bas.

17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pi'late said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barab'bas, or Je'sus which is called Christ?

18 For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.

19 When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man : for

they say against Thee ? ” But Jesus answered not a word.

Pilate asked Jesus, “Art Thou the king of the Jews ? ”

Jesus told Pilate of the kingdom of heaven, and that He had come to the world to teach about that kingdom.

Again Pilate asked, “Art Thou a king ? ” Jesus answered, “I am.”

Pilate went back to the angry crowd and said: “I find no fault in Him.” Again the people shouted reasons why He should be punished. Pilate then sent Jesus to be judged by Herod, another ruler who had come to Jerusalem for the passover. Herod mocked Jesus, and sent Him back to Pilate.

Then Pilate said to the people : “You have brought me this man. You tell me of His wrongdoings ; but I find no fault in Him.”

Now it was the custom for Pilate to set one prisoner free on the feast day. In the prison there was a man named Barabbas, who was a murderer. Pilate said, “Which of the two will ye have me set free ? ” and he hoped they would ask for Jesus. But the people cried, “Barabbas ! ”

Pilate said, “What, then, shall I do unto Jesus ? ” and they cried, “Take away His life ! ” Pilate again tried to change the people’s minds, but they cried out the louder demanding that Jesus should be put to death. He let them have their wish, and so the soldiers led Jesus away.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who was the Roman governor in Jerusalem ?
2. Who brought Jesus to Pilate ?
3. What time did they bring Him ?
4. What did Pilate ask ?
5. What answer was given to him ?
6. What did the enemies of Jesus say that He had done ?
7. What answer did Jesus give to Pilate’s question, “Art Thou a king ? ”
8. What did Pilate wish to do with Jesus ?
9. What custom of the passover time is referred to ?
10. Who was Barabbas ?
11. What offer did Pilate make ?
12. What was the people’s choice ?
13. What did Pilate then do ?
14. What is the Golden Text ?

Lesson Hymn

There is no name so sweet on earth,
No name so sweet in heaven,

The name before His wondrous birth
To Christ the Saviour given.

We love to sing around our King,
And hail Him blessed Jesus ;

For there’s no word ear ever heard

So dear, so sweet, as Jesus. Amen.

—Hymn 545, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM — 125. What did Jesus tell His disciples about His coming again ? Jesus told His disciples that He would come again, to judge the world.

SHORTER CATECHISM—107. What doth the conclusion of the Lord’s prayer teach us ? A. The conclusion of the Lord’s prayer (which is, *For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever, Amen*) teacheth us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to him. And, in testimony of our desire, and assurance to be heard, we say, *Amen*.

The Question on Missions

8. What does our church do for these on their arrival ? Immigration chaplains are stationed at the Atlantic ports, and at Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver, who welcome the newcomers, hold services among them, assist and protect them in many ways, and provide them with cards of introduction to the ministers in the places where they intend to settle.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Look at the crown of thorns shown in the drawing (*copy*). Think how dreadful it would be to have such a crown crushed down upon



one’s head. And yet that is what Jesus endured for us. How can we love Him enough or do enough for Him !

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD SPEAK THE TRUTH

Lesson IX.

CHRIST CRUCIFIED

November 29, 1914

Mark 15 : 22-37. Study Mark 15 : 21-41 ; Luke 23 : 39-43—Memory Verses, 25-27.

Golden Text—Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows : yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.—Isaiah 53 : 4.



22 And they bring him unto the place Gol'gotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.

23 And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh : but he received it not.

24 And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.

25 And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

26 And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

27 And with him they crucify two thieves ; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.

28 And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.

29 And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,

30 Save thyself, and come down from the cross.

31 Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others ; himself he cannot save.

32 Let Christ the King of Is'rael descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.

33 And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

34 And at the ninth hour Je'sus cried with a loud voice, saying, E'loi, E'loi, la'ma sabach'thani ? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me ?

35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Eli'as.

36 And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone ; let us see whether Eli'as will come to take him down.

37 And Je'sus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

THE LESSON RETOLD

A little before nine o'clock on Friday morning a strange procession passed along the streets of Jerusalem. Pilate had told the men who hated Jesus that they might have their way.

Roman soldiers were leading the prisoner, Jesus. The scribes and other enemies were there. Many people were following after. Some followed because they were curious and wanted to be in the crowd. But some followed because they loved Jesus. Many of these were women, and they were weeping. Mary, Jesus' mother, was there. John, the disciple who had gone after Jesus into the palace of the high priest, was still following. A good man whose name was Joseph of Arimathea was there.

In a certain place outside the city walls there was an ugly, bare hill. The name of the hill was Golgotha, a word which means "the place of a skull."

When they reached the hill, the soldiers fastened Jesus to a cross. Over His head they placed the sign :

THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

The soldiers fastened two robbers upon two other crosses, one on each side of Jesus.

Jesus' love for all the people in the world was so great that He died for them. This was the only way to save people from sin, and Jesus was willing.

Some of those who passed by mocked at Jesus on the cross. They jeeringly asked Him to prove His power by coming down

from the cross, thus saving Himself from death. The chief priests and scribes joined in this mockery, calling out: "He saved others; Himself He cannot save." Even the robbers, who were crucified beside Him, mockingly said, "If Thou be Christ, save Thyself and us." But at last one of them became sorry for his wicked words, and said to the other: "Dost thou not fear God? We are punished for wrongdoing. But this man hath done no wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom."

Jesus was glad to forgive him. He said, "Truly, I say unto thee, to-day shalt thou be with Me in heaven."

So Jesus hung upon the cross from nine o'clock in the morning until three o'clock in the afternoon, and then He died. At twelve o'clock the whole land was covered with darkness, which lasted till the hour of Jesus' death. In the afternoon Jesus died. Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for His body. Joseph then wrapped Jesus in a linen cloth. He and other friends carried Jesus into a beautiful garden, where Joseph owned a new tomb. There they laid Jesus, and then they went away mourning.

Questions on the Lesson

1. On what day was Jesus taken to be crucified? 2. In whose charge was He? 3. Name some of Jesus' friends who followed. 4. To what hill did the procession come? 5. What does the name of the hill mean? 6. Why was the hill so named? 7. Who were crucified along with Jesus? 8. Why did Jesus die for the world? 9. How did the passers-by treat Him on the cross? 10. What did the chief priests and scribes say to Him? 11. Who else mocked Him? 12. What did one of the robbers afterwards say to Jesus? 13. What was Jesus' answer? 14. At what time did Jesus die? 15. Who asked Pilate for His body? 16. What did Joseph do with the body of Jesus? 17. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

There is a green hill far away,
Without a city wall,
Where the dear Lord was crucified,
Who died to save us all.

Oh, dearly, dearly, has He loved!
And we must love Him too;
And trust in His redeeming blood,
And try His works to do. Amen.

—Hymn 46, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM — 126. What will happen at the Judgment Day? At the Judgment Day the dead will be raised to life again; and Jesus will separate the good from the bad.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 101-107.

The Question on Missions

9. What does the church do for them afterward? The English-speaking immigrants are welcomed into our congregations. Through the Department of the Stranger of the Home Mission Board, they are followed up as they move from place to place. The non-English-speaking immigrants are provided for by means of colporteurs, settlements, schools, hospitals and religious services in their own languages.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Here is a motto to copy. But it is not enough just to copy it. We should make Christ indeed king in our hearts and over our



lives, so that we shall obey every word that He speaks, and do everything that we can to make Him king in every heart and life the world over.

I Have Learned Today
THAT JESUS DIED FOR ME

Mark 16 : 1-8 ; Matthew 28 : 11-15—Memory Verses, 6, 7.

Golden Text—Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.—Luke 24 : 5, 6.



man ; for they were afraid.

Matt. 28 : 11 Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept.

14 And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

15 So they took the money, and did as they were taught : and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The tomb or grave in which the body of Jesus was laid was a sort of room cut out of the rock, with shelves along the side, in which bodies were laid. The entrance was closed by a great stone rolled up against it, the door by having a cord stretched across it, the ends of which were fastened to the rock by a clay seal, and a guard of soldiers was placed to watch by day and by night. All this was done so that no one might be able to take away the body of Jesus. The friends who loved Jesus went away mourning. Not one of them expected that Jesus would ever come out of the grave again. The crowds of people went to their homes. But all the people in Jerusalem talked of what had happened on the bare hilltop.

Some women who loved Jesus, bought

1 And when the sabbath was past, Mar'y Mag'dalene, and Mar'y the mother of James, and Salo'me, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

2 And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre ?

4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away : for it was very great.

5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment ; and they were affrighted.

6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted : Ye seek Je'sus of Naz'areth, which was crucified : he is risen ; he is not here : behold the place where they laid him.

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Pe'ter that he goeth before you into Gal'ilee : there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre ; for they trembled and were amazed : neither said they any thing to any

some sweet spices for the anointing of the body of Jesus, according to the Jewish custom. They planned to take them to Jesus' tomb. Very early on Sunday morning, at sunrise, they started toward the garden grave. As they hurried along they began to think of the heavy door. They said : "Who will roll us away the stone?" As they drew near they found that a wonderful thing had happened. The door was open! The heavy stone was rolled away!

The women entered the tomb, and there they saw an angel clothed in a white robe. They were frightened. But the angel said : "Be not afraid. Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified : He is risen ; He is not here : behold the place where they laid Him. Go tell His disciples. Go tell Peter."

The women hurried out of the tomb into the sunshine. They were filled with wonder at the words they had heard. They ran to find the disciples. When first the disciples heard the news they thought it must be some strange, untrue story.

But Peter arose and hurried to the tomb. John ran with him; he outran Peter and reached the place first. He looked into it.

When Peter reached the tomb, he went right in. It was empty. Only the linen cloths that had been wrapped round Jesus were there. So the two disciples went away.

But that was only the beginning of the happiness which was to come to Jesus' friends that day. As Mary Magdalene was in the garden weeping, some one said: "Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou?" She thought it was the gardener who spoke. She said, "Sir, if thou hast carried Him away, tell me where thou hast laid Him, and I will take Him away." Then the same voice answered, "Mary!" Mary turned. It was Jesus!

That same Sunday Jesus came to others, and the glad news was spread: "Jesus is risen! Jesus is not dead, but is alive!"

Questions on the Lesson

1. What was the grave of Jesus like?
2. How was the entrance closed?
3. In what way was it sealed?
4. Who were set to guard it?
5. What had some women who loved Jesus done?
6. What were the spices for?
7. When did they start for the grave?
8. What were they thinking about as they went?
9. What did they find had happened to the stone?
10. Whom did they see in the grave?
11. How did they feel at the sight?
12. What did the angel say to them?
13. Whither did they go?
14. Name some persons who saw Jesus on the day of His rising from the dead.
15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

"Christ the Lord is risen to-day,"
 Sons of men, and angels, say:
 Raise your joys and triumphs high;
 Sing, ye heavens; and, earth, reply.
 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
 Christ hath burst the gates of hell;

Death in vain forbids His rise;
 Christ hath opened Paradise. Amen.
 —Hymn 59, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—127. What will become of the good at the Judgment Day? Jesus will take the good to be with Himself forever. 128. What will become of the wicked at the Judgment Day? The wicked will then be driven away forever from the presence of God.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 1-38.

The Question on Missions

10. What special work does the Women's Missionary Society do? It maintains six hospitals in foreign agricultural colonies. It has boarding homes at two of them, where Ruthenian children live while attending school. It cares for the women and girls in their migration throughout Canada and maintains six deaconesses, who work mostly among newly arrived immigrants.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Color this drawing of an angel, and remember the question which the angel at the tomb



of Jesus asked: "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" It teaches us that Jesus is our living Saviour; ever ready and able to help us, whatever our needs may be.

I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHALL RISE FROM THE DEAD

Lesson XI.

THE GREAT COMMISSION

December 13, 1914

Matthew 28 : 16-20 ; Luke 24 : 44-49. Study Matthew 28 : 16-20, Luke 24 : 36-49—Memory Verses, 19, 20.

Golden Text—Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.—Matthew 28 : 20.



16 Then the eleven disciples went away into Gal'ilee, into a mountain where Je'sus had appointed them.

17 And when they saw him, they worshiped him : but some doubted.

18 And Je'sus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost :

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you : and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

Luke 24 : 44 And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Mo'ses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day :

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jeru'salem.

48 And ye are witnesses of these things.

49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you : but tarry ye in the city of Jeru'salem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was the happy springtime when Jesus came back from death to live again. It was the time of the year when the flowers and the trees were awakening from their long winter sleep.

It was no wonder that Peter and James and John and the other disciples thought of the blue sea of Galilee and the beautiful country where they had been happy with Jesus.

On the first Easter morning the angel at the empty tomb had said : "Jesus has gone to Galilee. Ye shall see Him there." The eleven disciples went to the land by the sea, and waited for Him to come to them.

Jesus did come, for He always keeps His promises. One morning He called to seven of His friends while they were out in a ship fishing in the sea. They came quickly at His call. He ate the morning meal with them ; He talked with them and made them very sure that He was alive.

After this they went up on a mountain near the sea. I suppose they often had been there before, during the happy days when they were with Jesus.

Presently Jesus came to them. When they saw Him, they fell down before Him and worshiped.

It would not be long before Jesus would go back to the heavenly home. He had a last wish to give to His friends. Jesus wanted the story of His love to reach all people the whole wide world over. He wanted it to be told over and over and over again. He wished it to go far, far beyond the country by the Sea of Galilee. He wished it to travel very far beyond the city of Jerusalem.

He said to His friends : "All power is given unto Me in heaven and on earth." Jesus meant His friends to be sure that, whatever He asked them to do, He would help them to do. Nothing could be too hard for them

when His strength was given to them. Jesus told His friends what they were to do. "Go," He said, "tell My story to all people. Teach all people everywhere. Tell of My love. Tell of the love of the heavenly Father."

And Jesus said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Jesus' message was for others besides those eleven friends of long ago. His message was also for those who live in the time NOW. He still needs helpers to tell His message of love. There are still many who have not heard it. Jesus is glad whenever people are willing to help. And even the very little ones can help by giving their pennies to buy Bibles for the heathen far away, and send missionaries to tell them the wonderful story of Jesus. They can help, too, by praying to Jesus and asking Him to send men and women to tell the glad tidings in all parts of the world.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where did Jesus, after He had risen from the dead, tell His disciples to meet Him? 2. How many of His friends did Jesus, one morning, see fishing? 3. How did He make them sure that He was living? 4. Where did Jesus afterwards meet with His disciples? 5. What did they do when they saw Him? 6. Whither was Jesus going? 7. What last wish had He to give to His friends? 8. How much power did He say had been given to Him? 9. What did He tell His friends to do? 10. What promise did He make to them? 11. How can we help to make Jesus' message known in all the world? 12. What is the Golden Text?

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Copy these words from the Golden Text, and remember that their wonderful promise is for you.

Lo, I am with you always

Lesson Hymn

We have heard a joyful sound,
Jesus saves!
Spread the gladness all around;
Jesus saves!
Bear the news to every land,
Climb the steeps and cross the waves;
Onward!—'tis our Lord's command;
Jesus saves! Amen.
—Hymn 562, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD HELP TO SPREAD THE
GOSPEL

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—129. What is the last prayer in the Bible? The Bible closes with the prayer, "COME, LORD JESUS."

130. What is the last promise in the Bible? The last promise in the Bible is, "I COME QUICKLY."

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 39-81.

The Question on Missions

11. Tell about our church's work among the Ruthenians. For ten years our church had been assisting the Independent Greek church, which commanded a large following among Ruthenians. This church has recently become merged in our own, nineteen of its ministers having been received into our ministry at the General Assembly of 1913, and the whole of the Independent Greek Church placed under the supervision of Presbyteries.

Isaiah 11: 1-10 ; Luke 24: 50-53 ; Acts 1: 1-11—Memory Verses, Isa. 11: 2, 3; Acts 1: 10, 11.

Golden Texts—The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the shepherd shall lie down with the kid ; the calf and the young lion and the fatling together ; and a little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11 : 6 (Rev. Ver.).

He was taken up ; and a cloud received him out of their sight.—Acts 1 : 9.

THE LESSON RETOLD



Before Jesus Christ came into the world there was no Christmas, for Christmas Day is the anniversary of the birth of our Saviour. But, although the people who lived before the birth of Jesus had no Christmas, they knew a great deal about Christ, and the work which He should one day come to do upon earth.

One of those who knew most about Him was Isaiah, one of God's messengers or prophets. In Isaiah's time God's people were ruled over by Ahaz, a selfish, cruel and unjust king. They were also in constant terror of their enemies, the Assyrians.

In this time of trouble God sent His servant Isaiah a wonderful vision of the coming king of righteousness, the Messiah, who should bring new hope, not only to the Jews, but to all nations. Isaiah foretold that the Saviour should be born into the family of one of the

descendants of David, the Shepherd King of Israel. "This Saviour king shall be quite different from the masters to whom you have been accustomed," said Isaiah, "for the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him. With righteousness shall He judge the poor, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked. In His kingdom all shall be at peace. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the shepherd shall lie down with the kid ; the calf and the young lion and the fatling together ; and a little child shall lead them. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

When at last the Saviour came, it was a surprise to many that He should have been born as a helpless babe in the manger at Bethlehem. Many expected that, when He became a man, He would set up a great kingdom at Jerusalem, but He soon made it quite plain that His purpose was to rule over the hearts and lives of those who received Him, and to die upon the cross for the sins of the world.

The enemies of Jesus thought that they had put an end to His kingdom when they crucified Him, but His kingdom was only beginning. When Jesus was risen from the dead, He appeared to many of His followers, and gave them directions as to how they should carry on His work when He was gone. In order that they might know exactly what they must do, He promised them the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide and direct them, that they might be His witnesses, or messengers, in all parts of the world. This promise was fulfilled in due time, and then the disciples of Jesus began to tell about Him. This has been going on ever since, and Jesus' followers must keep on telling others about Him until all the people in the world know Him.

There were still some, however, who hoped that Jesus would yet set up an earthly kingdom in Jerusalem, but, they were mistaken. One day, as the Master and His followers

were walking from Jerusalem to Bethany, they came to Mount Olivet. Here Jesus paused, and, lifting up His hands, blessed His disciples. Immediately He was parted from them, and, while they looked, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. At the same time two men stood by them, in white robes, who said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven."

Then the disciples returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were constantly in the temple, praising and blessing God.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Why do we keep Christmas Day?
2. Who was Isaiah?
3. What message did he bring?
4. From what family should the Saviour come?
5. How should He compare with other kings?
6. What kind of a kingdom should He set up?
7. How did the Saviour come into the world?
8. Why were some people disappointed?
9. How did Jesus' enemies try to end His work?
10. To whom did Jesus appear after His resurrection?
11. What work did He appoint His followers?
12. How were they to know what to do?
13. Where were they to wait for the Spirit?
14. How did Jesus ascend to heaven?
15. How will He return?
16. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

The story of the Christ-Child has been told for hundreds of years in Germany. It is said that one Christmas Eve a child was wandering alone through the streets of a great city. "Surely," he said, "where there is so much happiness, some of it must be for me," but again and again he was turned away from the handsome houses at which he knocked. Coming at last to a poor little house, he saw, through the window, a mother reading the Christmas story to her children. "I hear some one tapping," said the youngest child, and, running to the door, he quickly drew in the shivering little stranger. Suddenly the room was filled with a heavenly light. Then the visitor slowly rose through the air, and, floating upwards, disappeared from view. "It was the Christ-Child!" exclaimed the

children. And still, they say, each Christmas He knocks at some door, and those who receive Him see a wonderful vision that is denied to others.

Lesson Hymn

O, come, let us sing
 To the God of salvation,
 To Jesus our King,
 Who hath brought consolation;
 Who in His own body
 Hath opened a fountain
 To cleanse all our sins,
 Though as high as a mountain.
 Amen.

—Hymn 546, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—Review Questions 116-130.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 82-107.

The Question on Missions

12. Tell about our church's work among the Jews. There are at least 150,000 Jews in Canada, chiefly in the cities. Most of them come from Russia. Our church maintains a mission among the 35,000 Jews in Toronto, and another among the 13,000 Jews in Winnipeg. A Christian synagogue has been dedicated in Toronto.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Lesson tells us the wonderful story of how the risen Saviour ascended into heaven.



The drawing (color) is a picture of the Ascension, and reminds us that in Jesus we have a friend in heaven.

I Have Learned Today

THAT JESUS LIVES IN HEAVEN

Lesson XIII.

**REVIEW—JESUS THE WORLD'S
SAVIOUR AND KING**

December 27, 1914

Golden Text—Far be it from me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.—Galatians 6 : 14 (Rev. Ver.).

REPEAT—Golden Texts for the Quarter. **BIBLE WORK.** SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGES—PRIMARY CATECHISM—Questions 1-130. SHORTER CATECHISM—Questions 1-107. SUPPLEMENTAL HYMN—558, Book of Praise. **THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE QUARTER.**

The Drawings for the Quarter

By way of review let us look again at the drawings which have been copied or colored after Sunday School during the Quarter. These will help us to recall the Quarter's Lessons.

Lesson I. Here are three flasks or vases. For what was a vessel like these used in the Lesson? To whom did the ointment belong? What did she do with it? What feeling toward Jesus did this show? What promise did Jesus make about Mary's deed?

Lesson II. This drawing shows a man carrying a jar of water? What directions did Jesus give two of His disciples as to preparations for the Passover. By what feast do Jesus' followers now keep Him in memory?

Lesson III. In this Lesson the words "Watch and Pray" were to be copied. Who spoke these words? To whom were they spoken? Why do we need to watch and pray?

Lesson IV. The drawing for this Lesson contained a sword and staff. Who in the Lesson carried swords and staves? What did they wish to do to Jesus? Who was their guide? How did Judas die?

Lesson V. Here is a drawing of a high priest? Who was the high priest before whom Jesus was taken as a prisoner? Of what was Jesus accused? What did His judges decide should be done with Him?

Lesson VI. "We reap that which we sow" were the words to be copied for this Lesson. If a farmer sows wheat in a field what kind of grain will he reap? If we do good what will come of it? What will come of doing evil?

Lesson VII. Here, instead of something to be copied or colored, v. 3 of Hymn 258, Book of Praise, was to be learned by heart. From what do we most need to be saved? Who alone can save us from sin?

Lesson VIII. A crown of thorns was to be copied. On whose head was a crown of thorns placed? Why did Jesus suffer this and many other things for us? How should we feel and act toward Jesus?

Lesson IX. The words Christ is King were to be copied. Who had these words written above the cross of Jesus? If Jesus is our King, what does He expect of us?

Lesson X. Here the figure of an angel was to be colored. To whom did an angel appear in the Lesson? Where was he sitting? What did he tell the women about Jesus? To whom were the women sent with a message? What was the message?

Lesson XI. Jesus' great promise, "Lo, I am with you always," was to be copied. Where was this promise made? To whom was it made? What did Jesus say about the power given to Him? What did He command? How can we help to make Jesus known?

Lesson XII. The drawing showed Jesus ascending to heaven. Tell the story.

Lesson Hymn

Come to the Saviour, make no delay;
Here in His word He's shown us the way;
Here in our midst He's standing to-day,
Tenderly saying, "Come!"

Think once again, He's with us to-day;
Heed now His blest command and obey;
Hear now His accents tenderly say,
"Will you, my children, come?" Amen.

—Hymn 560, Book of Praise

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

That I should honor Jesus

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

Write in the spaces below (or get some one to do so for you) some one thing you have learned from each Lesson.

LESSON I. Christ Anointed for Burial.	LESSON VII. Jesus and Peter.
LESSON II. The Last Supper.	LESSON VIII. Jesus and Pilate.
LESSON III. In the Garden of Gethsemane.	LESSON IX. Christ Crucified.
LESSON IV. Jesus and Judas.	LESSON X. Christ Risen from the Dead
LESSON V. The Arrest and Trial of Jesus.	LESSON XI. The Great Commission.
LESSON VI. Sowing and Reaping (Temperance Lesson).	LESSON XII. Christmas Lesson—The King of Kings.

SABBATH SCHOOL AND CHURCH RECORD

[Many of the little ones will be pleased to mark down their attendance at church and Sabbath School, with the number of verses learned, etc., and so here is a place to do it in. The record will be very interesting by the end of the Quarter. Mothers will help the tinier tots who cannot read or manage a pencil very well.]

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Name of Sabbath School..... Teacher's Name.....

DATE 1914	OCTOBER				NOVEMBER					DECEMBER				TOTAL FOR QUARTER
	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	
Present at S. School..														
No. of Verses learned														
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