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A Letter to the Pupil

DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS:

A Happy New Year to You!

Did you ever stop to think what a wonderful thing it is to have a whole new year given to you? There are three hundred and sixty-six precious days this year, each one with twenty-four precious hours, and each hour with sixty precious minutes!

> "We are but minutes—little things— Each one furnished with sixty wings With which we fly on our unseen track; And not a minute ever comes back."

When I was a little girl I learned this verse, and it helped me to think about my minutes and to value them as priceless jewels.

May you have such a Happy New Year that when it is ended it will be a Happy Old Year to remember.

Your loving friends,



. The Editors

PETER PREACHES AT PENTECOST

Acts, chapter 2

On this first Sunday of the new year, we meet in the same room as we met last year, with the same teachers and classmates; but we have new lessons to study, and new days in

which to live them. In this lesson Peter and John are beginning a new part of their lives.

After Jesus' ascension they came down the mountain into the city that they knew so well, to meet with the same

friends; but there was a new work for them. Jesus had promised his followers that his Spirit should come to help them and teach them, so the disciples and other faithful followers waited in

Jerusalem, praying and making themselves ready.

Then on the Day of Pentecost, as the followers of Jesus were meeting to pray, God's Holy Spirit came. This coming sounded like a great wind, and there seemed to be tiny tongues of flame resting on the heads of the people. At once they could speak in

languages that they had not known before. So when people came running to see what had happened—people from many different countries who had not been able to understand the disciples' preaching—they were astonished to find some one preaching in their own language. Some of them were puz-

zled and afraid, but others said that the disciples had been drinking too much wine.

Once Peter had been afraid to say that he belonged to Jesus, but before that great, great throng that filled the streets he was not afraid. He preached a sermon so wonderful that three thousand people that day believed in Jesus and were baptized. He told them of Jesus and how all who loved him could be saved from their sins.

This great meeting was kept up for other days, and many

more people came to hear and believe. And when the strangers had to go back to their own countries they carried the story of Jesus

with them.

The very last message that Jesus had spoken to his disciples there on the mountain had been this:

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

—Mark 16:15.

If Peter's great sermon had had a text it might have been this:

"Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

—Acts 2:21.

These two precious texts are the first texts for us to learn in this new year. You cannot go into all the world, but perhaps you can show some little strangers the way to Jesus.

PETER AND JOHN HEAL A LAME MAN

Acts, chapter 3



Our story to-day tells of something which happened after Pentecost as Peter and John were going into the Temple. Near the gate of the Temple (that wonderful building made of marble and gold and all precious and beautiful things) was a lame man. Never in all his life had the man been able to walk, so, day after day, he sat there begging; in that land many people are very poor, and there was no work that this poor man could do.

As Peter and John passed the lame man he asked them for some money. Peter and John were very busy men—perhaps there was at that very minute a great crowd waiting to hear them speak in the Temple—but they were followers of Jesus, and Jesus always had time to stop and help anyone in trouble. So they stopped, and Peter said to the lame man: "Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk."

Then, reaching down, Peter took the lame man by the hand. And that man's poor, weak ankles suddenly were strong, and he began to walk; and then he began to jump and leap and shout for joy. He followed Peter and John into the Temple, still "walking, and leaping, and praising God."

Many people knew the lame man, for month after month they had seen him begging at the gate, so they knew that some wonderful power must have made him well and they crowded around Peter and John in wonder and astonishment.

But Peter and John told them that all the praise belonged to Jesus. And there in the beautiful part of the Temple called Solomon's Porch, they told again the story of Jesus.

Peter and John were poor. They had no money. But they gave something better than gold to the lame man.

There are times when you and I ought to give money. But there are times when we ought to give something else. If you look around you, you will be pretty sure to see very

who needs loving help more than he needs money. Use your bright "seeing eyes" and you will find a place to give for Jesus' sake.



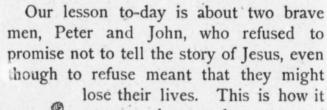
TWO VERSES THAT WILL TEACH US HOW TO GIVE

"Freely ye received, freely give." -Matthew 10:8.

"Have faith in God." -Mark 11:22.

THE BOLDNESS OF PETER AND JOHN

Acts 4:1-31



happened.

After the lame man had been healed, there was great excitement, and people were more sure than ever that Jesus was the Christ, because Peter and John said that it was through faith in Jesus that the wonderful healing was

done. This worried the priests and the rulers of the high court, the sanhedrin. They had had Jesus put to death, and they thought that there would be no more trouble with his followers, for they would be afraid to talk of Jesus. But on the Day of Pentecost people from almost every known part of the world had heard in their own language the story of the Saviour; and now came this healing of the lame man, that had set all Jerusalem talking, and was making more followers for Jesus. The sanhedrin decided that this must be stopped, so they sent to the Temple where Peter and John were preaching, and told them that the next day they must come before the council.

When the council asked, "By what power did you heal this man?" Peter and John answered that it was faith in the name of Jesus that had made the lame man able to walk. The men of the sanhedrin tried to frighten Peter and John, and they said that they would let them go if they would promise not to preach or teach about Jesus any more. But Peter and John said that they could not promise that. They must go on telling the story, because there was no other way for the

people of the world to be saved from sin.

When the sanhedrin saw how brave Peter and John were and how full of God's spirit, they let them go, after telling them again what would happen if they preached any more. Peter and John hurried back to the other disciples, and they praised and thanked God.



TWO VERSES TO HELP US TO BE BRAVE

"Stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."

—I Corinthians 16:13.

"Be strong and of a good courage."

-Joshua 1:9.

A QUESTION ABOUT THE PICTURE ON THIS PAGE

Was it easy, or did it take real bravery for Fred to go on Mother's errand when the other boy's teased him to go sledding, that first snowy morning of the new year?

PETER STANDS UP FOR TRUTH AND HONESTY

Acts 5:1-11

After Pentecost when so many learned to believe and follow Jesus, there was joy and peace, in spite of the rulers;

and it was like a bit of heaven in the busy world. The people shared with one another, and when one had more than another, he sold what he had and divided with those who were poor. Some sold very valuable things and

brought large gifts to the disciples.

Ananias and his wife, Sapphira, wanted the honor of bringing a generous gift, so they sold a piece of land. Instead of gladly giving it all, they kept back part of the money. Proudly Ananias carried in his gift and laid it at the disciples' feet, pretending that he was giving all the money that he had received for his land. But God knew what Ananias and his wife were doing, and Peter knew.

"Ananias," said Peter sadly, "why did you do this thing? The money was vours to keep

if you wanted it."

A lie is such a terrible thing that we do not like even to speak the word, but Peter said, "You have told a lie, not to us, but to God." And Ananias fell dead at the feet of the disciples.

By and by Sapphira came—perhaps wondering why Ananias stayed away so long. Peter asked her about the gift,

and she told him that Ananias had brought all the money!

Then Peter told her what had happened, and she died, just as her husband had died. It was a sad and terrible day,



but the first Christians had to learn in some way what a wicked thing it is to tell what is not true.

It takes bravery to tell the truth. When a message came to the little boy Samuel (who lived long before that time in the Temple and was good priest Eli's helper), giving him a sad message for Eli, he was afraid to tell Eli. But when Eli asked him, he told him all the message.

If boys and girls always tell exactly what is true they will be sure to be strong, true men and women.

ABOUT THE PICTURE ON THIS PAGE

Why will one little boy have no gift for Jesus to-day? TWO VERSES TO REMEMBER

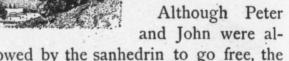
"Lying lips are an abomination to Jehovah; but they that deal truly are his delight." -Proverbs 12: 22.

"Speak every man truth with his neighbor. -Ephesians 4:25.

PETER AND JOHN IN SAMARIA

(May be used with missionary applications)

Acts 8:4-39



lowed by the sanhedrin to go free, the trouble that had begun against the followers of Jesus did not stop. Instead, it grew worse and worse, until all of them, except the apostles, had to go away from Jerusalem. But, hard as this was, it was a blessing, too, for in this way the story of Jesus was carried to many towns where perhaps it might not have gone.

Philip, a loyal, true helper, went to a city of Samaria, where he did wonderful things in Jesus' name, and taught so many people to believe, that Peter and John heard about it and came to help him. The three held a great meeting, and many became Christians. Then Peter and John went back to Jerusalem; Philip went off alone in the opposite direction, for an angel had come and had told him to go toward the south along the road which ran from Jerusalem to Gaza.

By and by Philip saw a chariot coming. In it sat a man who was reading aloud, and as he came near, Philip could hear that it was a part of the Old Testament, the words that the Prophet Isaiah had hundreds of years ago spoken about



the coming Saviour. God's Spirit told Philip to run and join himself to the man in the chariot. So Philip ran to the side of the chariot and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

"How can I unless some one shall teach me?" answered the man.

Somehow he seemed to know that Philip could tell him, so, he invited the stranger, Philip, into the chariot, and Philip told him the story of Jesus who is the Saviour of whom Isaiah wrote. Gladly the Ethiopian believed, and when they came to some water, Philip baptized him. Then God caught away

Philip, for there was work in another town for him, and the Ethiopian, rejoicing, carried the story back to his own country.

HOW CAN YOU BE LIKE PETER AND JOHN?

Mildred is carrying a basket of fruit and a paper to little Alice, who is ill. She is a "witness," of her love for Jesus.

TWO LITTLE MISSIONARY SERMONS FOR US

"Ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

-Acts 1 : 8.

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." -Mark 16:15.

PETER AT LYDDA AND JOPPA

Acts 9: 32-43



One day in going from place to place, Peter came to the town of Lydda, and there he found a man named Æneas who had been in bed for eight years with a disease called the palsy. Peter said to him, "Æneas, Jesus Christ healeth thee," and at once Æneas was well, and could get up from his bed. And all the people in Lydda believed on Jesus when they saw what Peter had done in his name.

Not far from Lydda was the town of Joppa, and a message came to Peter begging him to come to Joppa because Dorcas had died. Dorcas was a woman whom everyone loved because she was so kind. She was always doing something for some one else; but now she had been very sick and had died, and there was

great sorrow in Joppa. When Peter reached Dorcas' house, he found it full of sorrowing friends. Among them were the poor widows whom she had helped, some of them holding lovingly in their hands the little clothes that Dorcas had made for their children.

Then Peter sent them all out of the room, and knelt down

and prayed. Then he turned and said, "Tabitha, [which is another name for Dorcas] arise." Dorcas opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. He took her hand and helped her to stand, and then he called her friends to come

in. Never had they had such a wonderful and joyful surprise as when they came in and saw their beloved Dorcas standing there, perfectly well again. How they must have rejoiced over Dorcas, and thanked Peter and praised God all at once! Surely there had never before been such a happy day in Joppa.

Many believed on Jesus after that, and Peter stayed in Joppa for many days, teaching and preaching. He made his home with a man named Simon.

THE PICTURE FOR TO-DAY

Jessie and Jack are working for the children's hospital. They are like Dorcas because they are trying to help others.

TWO VERSES TO REMEMBER

"The prayer of faith shall save him that is sick, and the Lord shall raise him up."

-James 5:15.

"This woman was full of good works."

-Acts 9:36.

PETER AND CORNELIUS

Acts 10:1 to 11:18



One afternoon Peter went up on a housetop to pray. Suddenly he seemed to see a great, flat square (the Bible says that it was like a great sheet) that came slowly down from the sky. In it were all kinds of animals and birds. Peter was hungry, and a voice said, "Rise, Peter; kill, and eat." But Peter answered, "Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean." By that Peter meant that he had always obeyed the Jewish laws which told just what kind of food should be eaten. But the voice spoke again, "What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common." This happened three times, and then the sheet vanished as it had come.

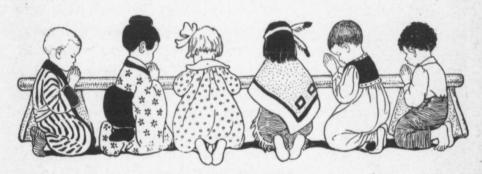
Over in Cæsarea lived Cornelius, a good, kind man who was a soldier and the captain of a band of one hundred brave soldiers. The afternoon before Peter's dream, an angel had come to Cornelius and had, told him that God was pleased with the good deeds he had done, and had remembered them and his prayers; and that Cornelius was to send to Joppa for a man named

Peter. So Cornelius called one of his soldiers and two servants and sent them to Peter; and just as Peter was wondering what his strange dream meant, word came that three men were at the door asking for him. God's voice told Peter to go with them to Cæsarea.

Peter found a great number of friends and relatives of Cornelius gathered in his house. The Jews had thought that Jesus did not belong to any people but themselves; but Cornelius was not a Jew, and Peter knew that his dream was meant to tell him that all people are God's children.

So Peter told them all about his vision, and told them about Jesus the Saviour—his Saviour and theirs.

This ought to be a very dear lesson to us, because if a message had not come showing that Jesus was not sent just for the Jewish people, you and I might have been like the poor, heathen people, waiting, waiting, for some one to come and tell us that we have a Father in heaven.



TWO VERSES TO THINK ABOUT

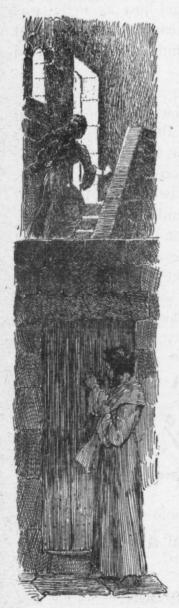
"The same Lord is Lord of all, and is rich unto all that call upon him."

—Romans 10:12.

"He loved us, and sent his Son." -I John 4:10.

PETER DELIVERED FROM PRISON

Acts 12:1-19



The wicked King Herod wanted to make the disciples afraid to follow Jesus. He was a great and powerful king. One day his soldiers took James, one of the disciples, and killed him. Then they took Peter, but instead of killing him, they put him in prison until after the great passover feast was ended.

Peter's friends were very sad, and day after day they met to pray that he might be saved. Now the last night had come, and the next day King Herod had planned to let the people see Peter suffer and die.

Peter lay asleep between two soldiers. Strong chains bound him to them, and other soldiers stood on guard outside. But suddenly Peter awoke and saw beside him an angel who said, "Rise, and follow me." Peter thought that it was all a dream, but the chains fell off, and he quickly followed the angel, out of the prison and past the guards. The great iron gate opened to let them pass, and they walked out into the quiet street. Then the angel went away, and Peter knew

that it was not a dream but that he was safe and that God had saved him.

Peter hurried along, past the houses where the people were sleeping-for it was midnight-until he came to a house where some of his friends were praying together for him.

When he knocked at the gate, a young girl named Rhoda came to the door. When she heard Peter's voice she was so full of joy that she did not even wait to let him in, but ran to tell his friends.

In the morning there was great excitement at the prison, for no one knew what had happened to Peter. But Peter had slipped quietly away to Cæsarea.

"When I run about all day, When I kneel at night to pray. God sees, God sees.

"Need I ever know a fear? Night and day my Father's near. God sees, God sees."



TWO VERSES TO KEEP US BRAVE AND HAPPY

"The angel of Jehovah encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." -Psalm 34:7.

"I will fear no evil: for thou art with me."

-Psalm 23:4.

PETER WRITES ABOUT CHRISTIAN LIVING

(May be used with temperance applications)

I Peter 2:1-5, 11, 12, 19-25

Over in India a missionary's wife was bathing her sweet, rosy baby, and dressing her in clean, dainty clothing. Around

the room, watching her and asking questions, were poor mothers of India who did not know how to take care of their babies. They were learning other things, too—to cook better food and have better homes. They copied everything that they could, and, best of all, they copied the "Jesus way" that the missionaries acted and talked.

Peter knew that the followers of Jesus who were scattered over the country would find it very hard to be good and true when they had to live among people who did not

love and obey Jesus. He could not go to see them all, so he wrote them letters. If you will get your Bible this afternoon and have some one help you to read the verses of this letter that are named at the

top of this page, you will know why people like to read this letter, and why it is such a help to anyone who is trying to be brave and strong for Jesus' sake.

We know that the only way in which we can prove to the

people around us that we love Jesus and are trying to be like him, is to show it by the way we act. It is not easy to be kind to those who are unkind to us, but it will help us if we think about David.

King Saul had driven David away from his home, and with his army he was marching out to find him and kill him. But as Saul and his many, many soldiers lay on the ground asleep, David and one of his friends crept up softly in the darkness and stood beside Saul. The friend wanted to kill the unkind king; but David, instead, took King Saul's spear and the cruse of water that was beside him, and they softly crept away. Then from a hill over across the valley, David shouted to the king's army. When the soldiers awoke and

found the king's spear and cruse gone, they knew that David had been there, and had spared his enemy. He had been bold and brave and kind. David called to King Saul to send a young soldier to get the spear, and then Saul and his army went home.

The verses for us to learn today mean that if we belong to Iesus we must try to live or "walk" as he did.



THE MEMORY VERSES

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also to walk even as he walked."

"Even Christ pleased not himself."—Romans 15:3.

JOHN WRITES ABOUT CHRISTIAN LOVE

I John 4:7-21

Our lesson to-day tells some of the things that the disciple John taught about love. John wanted every heart to be so full of love that there would not be room for any unkind thoughts. John and Peter helped everyone; they were kind



to all, no matter whether they were pleasant people or cross people, and no matter whether it was hard or easy to be kind.

John says, "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." If Jesus loved us enough to come down from his home in heaven to die for us, ought we not to love our playmates and our friends enough to be kind and patient?

When a man asked Jesus about the people that he ought to love, Jesus told him a story. Jesus said that one day a Jewish man was going along a lonely

road when some robbers came and beat him and took away everything that he had. They even took his clothes. And they left him lying there and went away.

By and by a priest came along the road. But he was in a hurry, and did not stop. Perhaps he thought: "Oh, that isn't a friend of mine. I never saw him before."

The poor man's cuts and bruises must have hurt him very

much, but he could not get up, and at last another man came by. This man stopped, and I think he felt sorry for the poor, hurt man, but he did not help him. Perhaps he decided to wait and ask some one else to do it.

And then a man from Samaria came along. The people of Samaria did not like the Jews, but this man had no time to think about that. He just thought about that poor, hurt man that needed some one to help him. Very carefully the Samaritan bound up the cuts and bruises, and very gently



he lifted the man up on his own horse or donkey, and slowly they went on until they reached a town. There the Samaritan took the hurt man to a hotel, and paid the hotel keeper to take care of him. "If it costs more I will pay you when I come again," he said.

Learn the verse that tells what John said about love.

"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."

HERE IS ANOTHER VERSE MUCH LIKE IT,:

-I John 4:11.

"Let us love one another."

—I John 4:7.

JOHN ON THE ISLE OF PATMOS

Revelation, chapter 1



It was the Lord's Day, but John was not in the Temple. No great crowds were listening to him speak. The reason was this. After his busy, busy, useful life, his enemies had sent him off to a lonely island where they thought he could not work for Jesus any more. Perhaps they said, "If God saved Peter from prison, why doesn't he save John from his prison island?"

But John, the gentle, loving John, was not having unkind or unhappy thoughts. He was sit-

ting thinking of Jesus and of sweet and holy and heavenly things. He was remembering "the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."

It was very quiet. Suddenly he heard a sound like that of a trumpet. When he looked to see where the sound came from, he saw a shining and a glory—and Jesus himself, who said, "Fear not."

Jesus had a message for his churches in the world, and he had come to ask his beloved, faithful John to write it. He would say the words, and John would write them down. It had seemed a sad and terrible thing to have a good man like John sent away to stay perhaps for the rest of his life on a lonely island far from his home and his friends, but it was

the very best place in all the world for him to be when Jesus came to give him the wonderful message.

If you open the Bible to the very last book, called Revelation, you will see what John wrote for Jesus. Much of the book we cannot understand now, but by and by in the heavenly home we can understand. John had been with Jesus day by day when he was preaching and teaching and healing; he had seen Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration; he had seen Jesus go up in a cloud after his resurrection, to be with the Father. John knew the wonderful love of Jesus, and his kingly glory and his great power, and he wrote about

them in the book of Revelation. And John tells us how to be ready for the happy day when Jesus shall come to the earth again, and we shall go to live in heaven with him.

One way to be ready is to "love one another."

"There's a home for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
Where Jesus reigns in glory—
A home of peace and joy.
No home on earth is like it,
Nor can with it compare,
For everyone is happy,
Nor could be happier there."

A VERSE TO REMEMBER

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and to-day, yea and for ever."

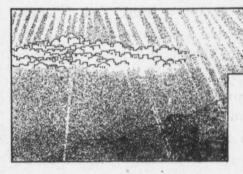
—Hebrews 13: 8.

JESUS SAID:

"I go to prepare a place for you." -John 14:2.

JOHN'S PICTURE OF WORSHIP IN HEAVEN

Revelation 7:9-17



We learned last week that in the book of Revelation John was to write what Jesus said to him, and also what

he saw. Jesus came to earth and gave his life so that all might live at last in that beautiful place, heaven; and he wants us all to know how wonderful and how lovely it is, so that we shall not only live in such a way that we shall be ready to go there ourselves, but so that we shall want to tell everyone else about it.

To one person was given the joy of seeing into heaven and then of telling what he saw. And that man was John—the lonely prisoner. It was hard even for John to write about it, because there are no words to tell how beautiful and how wonderful it is.

People from every land are there, wearing white robes and, with the angels, singing songs of praise. No one is lonely or sick or hungry or sad. Some of the happiest are those who had great sadness and trouble on earth, but because they belonged to Jesus and loved and trusted him, they are now in heaven to be with him always.

Perhaps to-day you will be singing,

"Praise him, praise him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love."



That is much the same song that John heard the people singing in heaven, and we can show our love

to-day by the way we praise him in song. It is one of the ways in which we can get ready for heaven.

When our dear friends go away from earth to the heavenly home we are sometimes very lonely and sad without them, just as we would be if they were taking a long journey to some other part of the world. But when we think of them in heaven we know that they are happy and well, and that they are seeing and hearing things so wonderful and so beautiful that no one has even been able to imagine anything like them.

YOUR MEMORY TEXT
IS PART OF THE SONG WHICH JOHN HEARD

"Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever.

Amen."

—Revelation 7: 12.

A VERSE TO SHOW THERE IS ROOM FOR US ALL

"In my Father's house are many mansions."

—John 14:2.

REVIEW: THE LIFE WORK OF PETER AND JOHN

Selection for Reading: Revelation 21:21 to 22:5



We have come to the last of the stories of Peter and Jonn that we shall have for a long time, but they have been such interesting stories and we have grown to love so well these brave, true, kind men, that as long as we live we shall not forget the lessons they have taught us.

As we look back at the pictures in our Quarterly we remember the Day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came down to the men and the women who had met to pray. And then they knew that Jesus was with them.

Can you find a story about something better than silver and gold that Peter and John gave to a lame man?

Can you find a story that tells how Peter and John said bravely, "We must obey God rather than obey men"?

Why did not the Christians all stay in Jerusalem? What message did they carry with them?

Can you find a story about a woman who helped the poor? Can you find a story that tells of two dreams?

Can you find a story that tells how an angel freed Peter from prison, and how Peter went to a house where his friends were having a prayer meeting?

Peter and John wrote some letters that are blessing and helping many people to-day. Can you recite a verse from each of these letters?

When John was sent away to be a prisoner on a lonely island, did that mean that God had forgotten him? How do you know? What happened one Sabbath Day on that lonely island?

When John was allowed to see into heaven, he wrote in a book what he saw. Can you tell something that it made you see?

Peter and John carried blessing wherever they went because they carried the Lord Jesus with them. On the day when Jesus left them and went to heaven to live again with the Father he said these words to them:

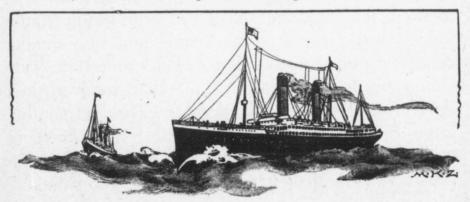
"Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

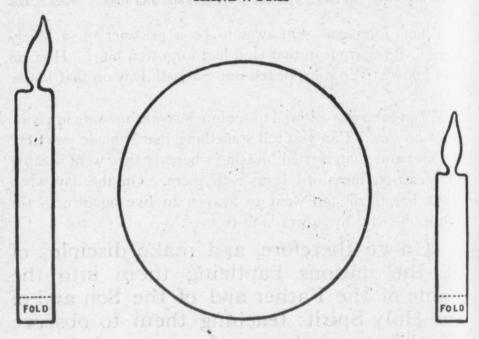
—Matthew 28: 19, 20.

If you cannot learn the whole verse, remember this:

"Lo, I am with you always."

-Matthew 28: 20.





Cut a circle like this from heavy paper or cardboard. Cut three candles. Color the flame red or deep yellow, and the candles any color you wish. Write "Jesus" on the large candle, and "Peter" and "John" on the smaller candles. Fold back the part marked "fold" and then paste the large candle standing up in the middle of the circle, and two smaller candles standing up beside it. Peter and John were shining in the world because they had received their light from Jesus. Make another circle and another large candle like the first, but this time make as many small candles as there are members in your class and write their names. Plan ways to shine.

HANDWORK



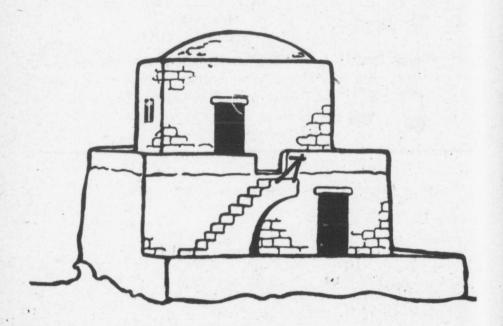
The little girl in the picture almost said something that was not true, then she remembered a promise she had made at Sunday School, when she heard the same story as you have in Lesson IV. The promise was, "I WILL KEEP MY LIPS FROM LYING." You may color the picture of the little girl, using the colors you think best. In the space below print the Golden Text for Lesson IV.

"LYING LIPS ARE AN ABOM-INATION TO THE LORD; BUT THEY THAT DEAL TRU-LY ARE HIS DELIGHT."

There is one, long, hard word in it, but your mother or teacher will help you with it. If the Golden Text is too hard, then write the promise the little girl made.

HANDWORK

On page 14 of your QUARTERLY there is a picture of Peter praying on the top of a house by the sea, in which he was living. Wouldn't you like to make a picture of a house like those in which people lived in Peter's country? The picture on this page shows you what they were like. This house is quite different from any we see in Canada, isn't it? Take a piece of black crayon and draw a house as much like this one as you can on a piece of stiff paper. Color the part below the house with blue crayon to represent the sea. Cut out the house down to the water's edge and bend it till it stands upright.



HANDWORK

Jesus gave us a Golden Rule which tells us how to act towards others if we love them as we should. In Lesson X. you have a story about a man who lived by the Golden Rule. We call him the Good Samaritan. After you have studied Lesson X., you may cut apart the words below and arrange them in the right order. The numbers will tell you how they should go. When you have done this, the words will make the Golden Rule. Can you repeat it without looking at the words?

2	10	1	7
YE	EVEN	WHATSOEVER	DO
3	14	4	11
WOULD	ALSO	ТНАТ	so
15	12	16	6
UNTO	DO	ТНЕМ	SHOULD
5	13	8	9
MEN	YE	UNTO	YOU

A STORY OF VALENTINE'S DAY



Many, many of you boys and girls will be making all sorts of happy plans for Valentine's Day. Many of you will be surprising mother with a dainty valentine, and will be sending valentine letters or valentine flowers to the sick people or the old people that so often are left out of our good times.

WHAT MURIEL DID

Muriel stood beside her mother, trying to decide to whom she should send her valentines.

"Do you know any little girl who probably will not get many valentines?" asked mother. "When I was a little

girl like you, there lived in a little house that I passed every day on my way to school a poor, ragged little girl. On Valentine's Day we were all sending pretty valentines to our best friends, and just before school was out the teacher told us that one way to get the most real happiness out of the day was to send a valentine to some one who was not very happy. Then I thought of the ragged little girl. God must have put the thought into my mind. I had one pretty lace valentine left, and as I went home I left it on the gatepost at her house for her.

"That evening the little girl's mother came to see my mother. She said they were very poor, and she thought no one wanted to be their friends, but when the valentine came they decided that some one must be a little bit kind."

"I'm going to send a valentine to Jennie. She didn't get

any valentines last year," cried Muriel.

"That will be nice," said mother. "And perhaps we can think of some one else, too."



