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Baby's Eyes

Little it matters if gray or rose

The clouds that go drifting across my skies,
For a whole wide heaven gleams and glows
In the summer land of my baby's eyes.

And it little matters if wind and storms

Sob without in the sleeted street,
For all weather alike the heart of me warms
Where runs the music of baby feet.

A head in my bosom and, well-a-day !

There are sweets on his lips that are just for
me ;
And little I reck what the world shall say,
Or care if my ships go down at sea !

For earth's a-blossom and skies a-shine,

And the whole of wide heaven's sweet
surprise,
And life is beauty and work divine
In the summer land of my baby's eyes.

—Exchange

A Wonderful Week

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

All the stories of this Quarter belong to a single week in the life of Jesus. And a very wonderful week it was, as we shall see in reading and hearing these stories week by week.

There is the story of the two disciples, James and John, who came to Jesus and asked for themselves the highest place in His kingdom, and who were taught, along with the other disciples, that the way to have a high place in the kingdom was to do all they could for others. So they would be like Jesus.

We shall have, too, the story of Bartimæus, the poor blind man who sat begging by the roadside near Jericho and to whom Jesus gave his sight. It was no wonder that he followed Jesus with a glad and grateful heart.

At last Jesus came, with His disciples, to Jerusalem, and one of the Quarter's Lessons tells how He entered into the city, riding upon an ass, while the crowds welcomed Him with joyful praises.

Besides, there are stories about vineyards and money and fig trees and wedding feasts which all the little ones will love.

"Playing History"

"Last spring," says a writer in the Continent, "my nephew, who lives with us, was five years old. He has always been a great lover of books and I devised this plan to encourage his taste for them. We called it 'playing history.'

"I bought a large scrap book and we took for our first subject the history of the Christ child. Each evening before I tucked him in we took one picture—first, the babe in the manger—and pasted it in our scrapbook. Then we talked about it.

"First, I told the story to him and then questioned him about it ; and questions and answers kept him busy until sleep claimed him. In this way we studied the life of Jesus, the life of Daniel and of David, and then we came up to our later history and the lives of the men our nation honors.

"Of course it takes time and thought, but it more than repays me by the delight it gives my little man and the knowledge he is storing away for the days that are coming.

"He is so proud of his scrapbook because the pictures in it are all like friends to him.

"I wish all mothers, and especially those with limited means, would try this plan. They will find that it more than pays in the interest that is taken."

How to Tell a Bible Story

By Miss Alice A. Harding

A dear grandmother, who very often told stories to the wee grandchild, was one day reading a story to her, when suddenly the little one interrupted, by saying: "Tell me with your mouth, Gran'ma,"—all mothers are familiar with the same request—"Tell me a story."

To tell a story, we must know it well ourselves, from beginning to end, with all the happenings, and all the people necessary, in the right order. So, to tell a Bible story, we should read the account as given in the book, very carefully. Then, closing the book, we should try to see the pictures, clearly, in our own minds, selecting those we are going to use when telling the story to the children.

It would help if we went over the story to ourselves, in the simple, direct language which we would use to the children. Then, when we really tell the story to them, we can watch to see what parts they enjoy most. And we shall find that they like a story to move quickly, so as to hear what is coming next. They do not like long introductions or explanations, although they do listen very closely to little points or details, which are interesting to them in their own lives.

In her own beautiful way, the mother who loves to tell the story, because she knows 'tis true, makes real these Bible stories, using sometimes the exact words of the book, when she is sure the children understand their meaning. Perhaps, in telling the parable of the Lost Sheep, the mother might talk to the little ones like this:

A long time ago, when Jesus was on the earth, He told many beautiful stories to His friends and to the people. They knew He loved them and they used to come close beside Him and "draw near unto Him, to hear Him." You have heard of some of these stories. What were they about? Yes, "the

lilies of the field," the grass, the grains of seed, Mary and Martha, the good Samaritan. Jesus told one story about "The Lost Sheep." Shall I tell it to you?

There was once a shepherd who had a flock of one hundred sheep. He knew every sheep and would miss even one little lamb if it was lost. He used to lead them to the tender grass and to the streams of clear, cool water. In the cool of the evening he would call them to him. They knew his voice. He loved them every one. As they were going into the fold, he counted them—"One, two,—ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine!" And then he could not see the other one. "I have one hundred. What has happened? It is the smallest lamb. Has it fallen on a rock and broken its leg? I must find it." Into the dark the shepherd went, with his lantern, and called and called. By and by he heard a faint cry. He heard it again. And at last he found the poor little lamb wandering about in the desert not knowing where to go. He put it on his shoulder and when he reached home he shouted to his friends and neighbors: "Rejoice with me: for I have found my sheep which was lost." Then he put the lamb into the fold with the others and went to rest.

Now Jesus is like the shepherd. He came to bring each little one into His fold. And when each one is brought in there is great gladness in heaven as when the shepherd brought home the lost sheep.

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A Sunday Game

By Mrs. Marion Cruikshank

This game requires a little preparation. The leader, usually a "grown up," chooses twenty well-known Bible texts. These are numbered and written either on a large sheet of paper, or each text on a separate slip. Where more than two or three take part in this contest, this latter is the better way.

Two or three of these texts are quoted with absolute correctness, the others have some slight mistake, such as an added plural, "the" for "a," or some alteration not apt to catch the eye.

Each player is given a pencil and sheet of paper, and the object of the game is to write the twenty texts just as they should be. The players should be informed that some of the texts are correct, for it makes this task more confusing.

St. John, N.B.

"Little Helpers"

Only a band of children,
Sitting at Jesus' feet,
Fitting ourselves to enter
Into His service sweet.
Softly this voice is calling,
"Little one, come unto Me!"
Stay not, though weak and helpless;
Child, I have need of thee."

Take us, dear Saviour, take us,
Into Thy heavenly fold;
Keep our young hearts from straying
Out in the dark and cold.
Call us Thy "little helpers,"
Glad in Thy work to share;
Make us Thine own dear children,
Worthy Thy name to bear.—Selected

Inside Out

"Why, what a change!" exclaimed Uncle James, as the tears disappeared from Jimmy's eyes and the drooping corners of his rosy mouth turned up into a smile. "May I ask the reason?"

"Oh, I just turned it inside out!" laughed Jimmy. "It seemed like a pretty big cloud when you said Dick was too lame to drive, 'cause I counted so on going to Aunt Martha's. I nearly cried, and I had to turn it awfully quick, and what do you think the bright side is? We'll get Jerry, and then we'll all go fishing, and you can show us how to do it best."

"Well, young man," said Uncle James, "that's helping me out, too, for there's nothing I'd rather do than take you and Jerry fishing. Now, tell me more about this turning business."

"One day, when it looked like rain, there was just an awful black cloud, and all around it there was a beautiful edge of silver white.

I called mother to look, and she said that always, no matter how black the clouds looked to us, the sun was shining brightly on the other side, making them look silver and gold. And then she said that troubles were clouds with bright linings, and we only had to turn them about until we found a bright side. And mother and I 'greed that we'd turn ours inside out and find that lining," finished Jimmy, quite out of breath with his long speech.

Then he went on: "The time Jack didn't invite me to his party it seemed pretty black; but when I got home papa was waiting to take me to the city, and if I'd gone to the party I couldn't have gone with him. But when I sprained my ankle that seemed blackest of all, and what do you think? Mother and I thought of that old typewriter Uncle Ed left in his room, and I practised on it until I could write letters to all the boys, and weren't they surprised! And it's always so."

"Well," said Uncle James, "this turning business seems such a good one that I believe I'll go into it with you and your mother. Now, let's get our tackle and call for Jerry."—
Our Little Ones

What the Pennies Do

By Mrs. A. W. Thomson

Would it not be nice to fly away down south when the east winds blow? I wish the little readers of the PRIMARY QUARTERLY and myself had wings like the birds to fly away to Trinidad and British Guiana. I would love to show you such pretty things,—and such strange things. You would be saying, "Oh, my!" so often. Suppose we pretend that we "fled and fled" and dropped down for a rest on an island called Trinidad.

"How hot it is!" you say. "I love it," I answer, "because I always lived there, and see what lovely flowers, and bright colored birds, and oh! the sugar cane, and oranges and bananas." "What did you bring me for?" you ask. "Well, you know in Sunday School and Mission Band you give pennies for missions and I wish to show you the work your pennies do. Come, let us sit on the corner stone of this church gate, and watch the people pass." "How funny to see such

pretty red flowers grow on hedges ! but it is hot !"

"Here are some children coming. Do you see that dear little brown girl, with pretty dark eyes, and straight hair ? She has a long skirt to her ankles, a queer little short sleeve jacket and a pretty colored veil over her head. But see her jewels, rings on some of her fingers and toes and in her ears, a few bracelets on her arms, and beads round her neck and a strange silver bar and a few coins like five-cent pieces strung with colored cord. She dresses just like her mother, even with her hair braided back and done up like older people. Is she not pretty to look at in her native dress ?"

"Do they love their babies as we do ?"

"Yes, but boy babies are valued most. You know mother has to go to work hard ; so little sister is mother 'minding the baby ;' but when mother returns home, sister will have a chance to play without baby on her hip. Then, perhaps, baby will get his oil rub. Mother takes cocoanut oil and rubs his little limbs up and down, and round and round, and twists them in such funny ways you would think he would cry. He just loves it, and crows and laughs because since a tiny baby he has had it done almost every day. Some missionary babies just love it too.

"Now we will go to the school and see what the Primary scholars are doing there."

"Do they read out so, all the time ?"

"Yes, and sometimes sing the multiplication table. I am afraid you would laugh if you heard it. Now you can see what your pennies do. Here are some bigger boys and girls who have only lately come to school, nice faces, pretty eyes, but they do not seem to have any one to look after them. They hardly know their A.B.C.'s, and cannot sing the hymns the rest know. They do not know about how Jesus came on earth as a little baby, or any of the lovely things He did to make us good. Here is a dear wee girl, dressed more like you, so clean and sweet ; and she can read her Second Primer so well, would you not like to play with her ?"

"Yes, but why does *she* know so much more than the rest ?" "This little girl has a

Christian father and mother. Somebody's pennies helped that by teaching them about Jesus years ago, so now they send her sweet and clean and neatly dressed to learn all she can in the mission school. Your pennies help this work, and also the Sunday Schools in Trinidad and British Guiana.

British Guiana is far larger than Trinidad, and has many more of these interesting children you have learnt about in Trinidad. There are not as many Christian mothers and fathers for the little girls and boys, and so there are many more grown people and children to be taught about Jesus so that they may know and love Him.

"They need many more pennies for schools and Sunday Schools. Do you not think your pennies are doing a good and great work ? Will you not always remember to being mission pennies to Sunday School and Mission Band ? Please do say, 'Yes, we will.'"

Pictou, N.S.

Some Bible Homes

By Mary Isobel Houston

III. THE HOME OF JAIRUS

Jairus, being a ruler of the synagogue in Capernaum, was a man of some importance. He had plenty of servants, and his wife and little daughter wanted for nothing. His was a happy home too. The one little daughter was much loved by the parents, and great was the sorrow when she became very ill.

We can imagine how, one after another, the great doctors had been called in, but they could do nothing for the little girl. Jairus heard of the wonderful cures that Jesus had been performing, and he asked Him to come and see his poor sick daughter. But it was too late ; before Jesus could reach the home, word came that the little girl was dead. Still Jesus came, and with a touch of the hand, brought the child back to life again and turned the house of mourning into a house of joy.

What a welcome visitor Jesus would be at the home of Jairus after this and how delighted the little daughter would always be to see Him when He came to visit !

AN ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR PRIMARY CLASSES OR THE HOME LESSON

Third Quarter, 1914

[NOTE.—If the class is smaller than usual during the holiday season, change the seating arrangements if possible. Children love variety, and if the teacher can sit with the class in a familiar way in a circle, the enjoyment of the session will be enhanced.]

I. Open with a brief song service, choosing the hymns the children love best. Also sing:

"Hum, little bee, in the nodding clover,	"Bloom, little flower, in the valley vernal,
Swing, little bird, in the tree top tall,	Flow, little brook, to the deep, wide sea,
God in the heavens is watching over,	Held in the hand of the Great Eternal,
He will remember His creatures all.	Kept by the love that is full and free.

"Trust, little heart, for the Lord is near you,
Sing, little voice, make His glories known,
Speak, little tongue, for the King will hear you,
He will remember and guard His own."

II. PRAYER. Children repeating short clauses after the teacher.

III. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON. Learn and repeat Scripture Memory Passage. For Those Under Six, the Words of Blessing, Matt. 5 : 1-12. For Those Under Eleven, The Ten Commandments, Ex. 20 : 1-17. (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.)

IV. BIRTHDAY EXERCISE. Greeting to the children who may have had a birthday during the week.

"We wish you many happy returns of the day of thy birth;
May sunshine and gladness be given,
And may the dear Father prepare you on earth
For a beautiful birthday in heaven."

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. SINGING. Hymn 558, Book of Praise, vs. 1, 2. (These are the first 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.)

VII. OFFERING. Recite:

"We bring our gifts to Jesus with happy, thankful hearts,
That in this cheerful giving we each may have a part. (Heads bowed.)
Jesus, give Thy blessing, our hearts are full of love;
Bless each gift and giver from Thy home above." Amen.

VIII. SINGING. Hymn 517, Book of Praise.

IX. LESSON FOR THE DAY.

X. LESSON HYMN. (See each Lesson).

XI. DISTRIBUTION OF PAPERS AND DISMISSAL.

NOTE.—Endeavor to make the hot Sunday afternoons as bright and attractive as possible to the little ones.

Lesson I.

THE LABORERS IN THE VINEYARD

July 5, 1914

Matthew 20 : 1-16—* Memory Verses, 6, 7.

Golden Text—He maketh his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sendeth rain on the just and the unjust.—Matthew 5 : 45 (Rev. Ver.).



1 For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.

2 And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

3 And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place,

4 And said unto them ; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

5 Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

6 And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle ?

7 They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard ; and whatsoever is right, *that shall ye receive.*

8 So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them *their hire*, begin-

ning from the last unto the first.

9 And when they came that *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.

10 But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more ; and they likewise received every man a penny.

11 And when they had received *it*, they murmured against the goodman of the house,

12 Saying, These last have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

13 But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong : didst not thou agree with me for a penny ?

14 Take *that thine is*, and go thy way : I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.

15 Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own ? Is thine eye *evil*, because I am good ?

16 So the last shall be first, and the first last : for many be called, but few chosen.

THE LESSON RETOLD

One day Jesus told a story something like this:

There was once a man who owned a beautiful vineyard. He loved his vineyard, and tended it carefully. When the time for gathering the grapes had come, there was so much fruit that the owner needed help. Very early one morning he went to the market place to hire laborers.

There he made an agreement with some men to pay them a penny a day, and they went to his vineyard to work.

After a while he went to the market place to find more helpers. He said to them, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you;" and these went also.

Twice again during the day the owner went to the market place and hired more helpers, for there was a great deal of work to be done.

At last, quite late in the afternoon, the owner of the vineyard, seeing that his work was still unfinished, went again to the market place and found some men still standing idle.

*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.

He said, "Why stand ye here all the day idle?"

"Because no man hath hired us," they answered.

Then the good man said, "Go work in my vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you," and the men went gladly and gratefully and worked till the day was done.

When the evening was come the owner said to his steward, that is, the servant who had charge of his money and gave their pay to those who worked for him: "Call the laborers, and give them their wages. Begin with the last and go to the first."

When these that were hired at the last hour of the day came for their pay, each man received a penny. Those who were hired during the early hours, received just the same, a penny.

These men were angry. They said, "We worked all through the day, in the burning heat of the sun, yet we receive no more than these who have only worked an hour or two in the cool of the afternoon.

The owner answered: "I do you no harm, friends. Did ye not agree with me for a penny? May I not do with my own as I will?" He gave their reward to those who had served him gladly as long as they were able, no matter how short that time had been.

Questions on the Lesson

1. About whom did Jesus tell a story?
2. Why did the owner of the vineyard need help?
3. Whither did he go to hire laborers?
4. How much did he promise to pay those who were hired first?
5. How often did he go out again to hire more laborers?
6. What time was it when the last laborers were hired?
7. What promise was made to them?
8. What did the owner say to his steward in the evening?
9. What did those hired last receive?
10. What did the others expect?
11. What did they get?
12. What did they say to this?
13. What did the owner answer?
14. Why should we work for Jesus?
15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

We'll bring the little duties
We have to do each day;
We'll try our best to please Him,

At home, at school, at play:
And better are these treasures
To offer to our King
Than richest gifts without them,
Yet these a child may bring. Amen.

—Hymn 535, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—102. What name is given to the household or family of God? God's family is called the Church.

SHORTER CATECHISM—94. What is baptism? A. Baptism is a sacrament, wherein the washing with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, doth signify and seal our ingrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the covenant of grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's.

The Question on Missions

(Third Quarter, OUR BRITISH GUIANA MISSION.)—1. Where is our British Guiana Mission? British Guiana is on the northern coast of South America, east of Venezuela. It has an area of over 90,000 square miles, divided into the three counties of Berbice, Demerara and Essequibo. There is summer all the year, with blue skies and birds and flowers all the time.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Here is a picture of a vine branch with clusters of grapes hanging on it. Color the



drawing, and remember that, just as the vine bears the beautiful, delicious grapes, so Jesus wishes to see in us the fruits of good, kind words and deeds.

I Have Learned Today That

I SHOULD BE A WORKER FOR GOD

Mark 10 : 32-45—Memory Verses, 43-45.

Golden Text—The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.—Mark 10 : 45.



32 And they were in the way going up to Jeru'salem; and Je'sus went before them : and they were amazed ; and as they followed, they were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,

33 *Saying*, Behold, we go up to Jeru'salem ; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes ; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles :

34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him : and the third day he shall rise again.

35 And James and John, the sons of Zeb'edee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldst do for us whatsoever we shall desire.

36 And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you ?

37 They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.

38 But Je'sus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask : can ye drink of the cup that I drink of ? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with ?

39 And they said unto him, We can. And Je'sus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of ; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized :

40 But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give ; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared.

41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be much displeased with James and John.

42 But Je'sus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gen'tiles exercise lordship over them ; and

their great ones exercise authority upon them.

43 But so shall it not be among you : but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister :

44 And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus had been carrying a secret in His heart. It was sad news, and He kept it away from His disciples. But He knew the time for telling these nearest friends of His had come. He gathered them round about Him and said:

"We are on our way to Jersusalem. I, your master, will have many things to suffer when we come to the city. Those who are My enemies soon will take Me away from you." Then He told them how His life was to be taken away. He was to be given into the hands of His bitter enemies, the chief priests and scribes, and those would condemn Him to be put to death. Then the Romans, who ruled at that time over Palestine, would take Him and mock Him and scourge Him and spit upon Him and at last kill Him. It was to give His life for the sake of others that Jesus had come from the heavenly home. But, while Jesus was thus to be put to a cruel death, He was to lie in

the grave only a very short time. After three days He was to rise again and go back to heaven.

This secret that Jesus told His disciples frightened them, and made them sad. They sorrowfully followed on toward the great city.

Presently, as they walked along, James and John drew nearer to Jesus. They said, "Master, wilt Thou do what we ask of Thee?"

Jesus answered, "What would ye that I should do for you?"

They said, "When Thou art ruling in Thy kingdom, let one of us sit at Thy right hand and one at Thy left."

James and John loved Jesus dearly. They wanted to be very near Him always. They wanted to serve Him. Perhaps they thought they could serve better in these high places. But to ask for the best places for themselves was selfish.

● Jesus was sorry for this selfishness. He asked: "Do you think you are able to suffer as I am about to suffer for the sake of others? Do you think you will be able to do what I am about to do for others?"

They answered, "We are able," but they did not then know what their answer meant. They did not understand how great were the sufferings which Jesus was to endure nor how much they would have to suffer for His sake.

Jesus said: "Ye shall follow My example and suffer for others like Myself. But to sit at My right hand and at My left is not Mine to give."

When the other disciples heard what Jesus and John had said they were angry. They, too, would like to have had the highest places for themselves. Jesus said: "Whoever would be great among you must be willing to serve and willing to do for others. Even I, your master, have come from the heavenly home to serve."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Why had Jesus been keeping a secret from His disciples? 2. When did He tell it to them? 3. What did He say was soon to happen to Him? 4. Why did Jesus come from heaven? 5. How did the disciples feel? 6. What two disciples came to Jesus? 7. What did they ask? 8. Why were they wrong in asking this? 9. What did Jesus ask of them? 10. What did they answer? 11. What did Jesus next say? 12. How did the other disciples feel towards James and John? 13. What did Jesus say to them? 14. What is the Golden Text?

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The words to be copied were written by the great apostle Paul, and they mean that we are to do all we can to help those about us.

By love serve one another

Lesson Hymn

Thou didst leave Thy throne
And Thy kingly crown
When Thou camest to earth for me,
But in Bethlehem's home
Was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity:
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee!

Amen.

—Hymn 45, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD BE WILLING TO SERVE

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—103. What is the outward sign of membership in the Church? The outward sign of membership in the Church is baptism.

SHORTER CATECHISM—95. To whom is baptism to be administered? A. Baptism is not to be administered to any that are out of the visible church, till they profess their faith in Christ, and obedience to him; but the infants of such as are members of the visible church are to be baptized.

The Question on Missions

2. Who are the inhabitants of British Guiana? There are American Indians, Negroes, Portuguese and other Europeans, East Indians and people of mixed blood, 300,000 in all. The inhabited area is chiefly a narrow strip along the coast, extending inland about 40 miles and along the lower banks of the rivers and creeks. Georgetown in the centre and New Amsterdam at the east are the two towns of the colony.

Mark 10 : 46-52—Memory Verses, 51, 52.

Golden Text—Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing.—Isaiah 35 : 5, 6 (Rev. Ver.).



46 And they came to Jer'icho : and as he went out of Jer'icho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæ'us, the son of Timæ'us, sat by the highway side begging.

47 And when he heard that it was Je'sus of Naz'areth, he began to cry out, and say, Je'sus, thou Son of Da'vid, have mercy on me.

48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace : but he cried the more a great deal, *Thou Son of David, have mercy on me.*

49 And Je'sus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise ; he calleth thee.

50 And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Je'sus.

51 And Je'sus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee ? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.

52 And Je'sus said unto him, Go thy way ; thy faith had made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Once there was a blind man who lived on one of the cities that Jesus visited. The blind man's name was Bartimæus. He was very poor and unhappy and wretched. He could not see to work. He could not earn his living. He could not see the faces of his friends.

Day after day he sat by the roadside and begged of the passers-by.

One day, as Bartimæus sat asking for help, he heard the tramp, tramp of many feet. He knew a crowd was gathering. Something unusual was happening. He could not see, but how he longed to know!

He asked the people who passed, "Why are people crowding together so?"

Some one answered, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by!" and the crowds moved on.

Bartimæus must have heard something about the wonderful help that Jesus gave to people.

He thought to himself: "I will call to Jesus. I, too, will ask Jesus to help me."

He felt his way toward the crowd. He began to cry : "Jesus, help me! Jesus, have mercy on me! Jesus, have mercy on me!" He called very loudly, for he wanted Jesus to hear, oh, so much!

Some of the people in the crowd began to tell him to stop his calling, but Bartimæus cried louder, "Jesus, help me!"

Presently Jesus stopped. He said, "Call the man to Me."

The people said to the blind man: "Arise! He is calling thee!"

Bartimæus found his way to Jesus as quickly as he could. Jesus asked, "What wouldst thou have Me to do for thee?"

Bartimæus answered, "Lord, that I might receive my sight."

Immediately the blind man's sight came to him. He could see the light of day, the sky, the trees, the crowd of people. He could see Jesus, his friend.

Of all the people in that city, I suppose no one loved Jesus with greater love than Bartimæus.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What was the name of the blind man in the Lesson? 2. Where did he sit day by day? 3. How did he make a living? 4. What did he hear one day? 5. What question did he ask? 6. Give the answer to this question. 7. What did Bartimæus ask of Jesus? 8. What did some of the people in the crowd say to him? 9. What did Bartimæus do? 10. What did Jesus say? 11. Who told the blind man? 12. What question did Jesus ask of Bartimæus? 13. What did Bartimæus answer? 14. What did Jesus then do for him? 15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"And did they never see, Auntie?" Isabel's blue eyes filled as she looked at the long row of girls and boys as they walked through the door of the big building where Aunt Ada was a teacher. "Some of them did, dear. Some could see as well as you can, once, but most of them have never seen at all." "But they seem so—so happy," said the little girl in surprise. "I know I wouldn't if I had to use my fingers for eyes and know that I would never, never, be able to see again."

"Don't say never, dear. Some day perhaps these little ones may be able to see even better than you or I. Jesus has promised it, and we know His words never fail. Perhaps even now these little boys and girls may be able to see Him, when we who have eyes, cannot. And it is always light where He is you know."

Lesson Hymn

The great Physician now is near,
The sympathizing Jesus;
He speaks the drooping heart to cheer:
O, hear the voice of Jesus.

*Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue,
Sweetest carol ever sung,
'Jesus, blessed Jesus.'*

Amen.

—Hymn 544, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—104. How are we baptized? We are baptized with water,

in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. 105. Why is this sign used? Because Jesus Himself commanded it.

SHORTER CATECHISM—96. *What is the Lord's supper?* A. The Lord's supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment, and growth in grace.

The Question on Missions

3. Amongst what race of the inhabitants do our missionaries work? Amongst the East Indians who are brought from British India to work on the sugar estates. From 2,000 to 4,000 of these arrive each year. There are now about 130,000 of them in the colony, forming nearly one half of the population.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the drawing (*color*) we see a poor blind man holding out his hand for money. How



thankful we ought to be that we can see all the beautiful things in the world around us.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT JESUS IS ABLE TO HELP ME

Lesson IV.

THE POUNDS AND THE TALENTS

July 26, 1914

Luke 19 : 11-27—Memory Verses, 16, 17.

Golden Text—Well done, good and faithful servant : thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will set thee over many things : enter thou into the joy of thy lord.—Matthew 25 : 21 (Rev. Ver.).



- 11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jeru'salem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.
 12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.
 13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.
 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us.
 15 And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.
 16 Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.
 17 And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant : because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.
 18 And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.
 19 And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.
 20 And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin :
 21 For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man : thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.
 22 And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow :
 23 Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury ?
 24 And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds.
 25 (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)
 26 For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given ; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.
 27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me.

THE LESSON RETOLD

In this Lesson we have another story which Jesus told. Once upon a time there was a nobleman who had to go away on a long journey. As he was about to start, he called ten of his servants. He told them that he must go to a far country. Then he gave each a pound to trade with till he should come back. Now a pound was a sum of money amounting to about \$16. He wanted to see how faithfully each would serve him.

The master then went away on his journey. After he had finished his business, he came home again. He called his servants to find how they had taken care of the money.

The first servant came before his master and gladly said, "Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds." He had ten times as much money to give back to his lord as he had received.

The master was pleased with the faithful

servant. He said: "Well done, my good servant. Since I can trust thee in little things, I can trust thee in great. I give thee ten cities to rule." Then the faithful man went to do work which would help his master more than ever.

Another servant came and said to his master, "Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds." This man, too, had been faithful. He had served his master as well as he was able.

The master said: "Well done, my good servant. Thou hast served me well. I make thee ruler over five cities."

Then another servant came and said: "Lord, here is thy pound. I have kept it laid up in a napkin. I was afraid of thee. I might have lost the money. I know that thou art a hard-hearted man. I thought thou wouldst take all that I could earn."

The man answered: "Wicked servant! Thou thoughtest I was a hard-hearted man; that I would take everything for myself! At least thou couldst have put my money in the bank!" There the money would have been safe and the owner would have got something for the use of it.

Then he said to men standing near: "Take the pound away from him and give it to my servant who hath earned ten pounds. Those who are faithful over a little can be trusted with much. But the unfaithful will lose even what they had."

Now the nobleman had some enemies who hated him and who had sent a message after him to say that they would not have him as their ruler. These enemies he had brought in and put to death before him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What was a nobleman about to do?
2. Whom did he call to himself? 3. What did he tell them? 4. What did he give to each? 5. What did he do when he returned?
6. What did the first servant say? 7. How did the master reward him? 8. What did the second servant say? 9. What reward did he receive? 10. What did the third servant bring? 11. What reason did he give for not using the master's money? 12. What did the master say to him? 13. What was done with the servant? 14. To whom was his pound given? 15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"Well, I'm the biggest, and I ought to have the hardest job," bragged Edgar. "Uncle knows I can climb, so that's why he trusted me to pick the apples off the trees." "I can climb some, too," sighed Billy, "and p'raps I will next summer 'stead of just picking up those on the ground. Won't Uncle be glad when he gets home and finds the apples all in?"

But when Uncle drove home next day, he looked in surprise at three small apple baskets. "Is that all? I thought I'd have a couple of barrels off those trees. Are they all here?" "Not quite," murmured Edgar, while a glance at one still loaded tree told Uncle all. "I know who will be

trusted to pick from the trees next year," he said quietly. "Any boy who can do a small task so well, should be ready to look after a bigger one."

Lesson Hymn

Though small is all that we can do
To please the King of Heaven;
When hearts and hands and lips unite
To serve the Saviour with delight,
They are most precious in His sight:
Such grace to mine be given. Amen.
—Hymn 532, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—106. What does the water in baptism mean? The water in baptism teaches us that we need to have our sins washed away.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 94-96.

The Question on Missions

4. What kind of people are the East Indians? They are highly intelligent, with strong religious feeling, refined and teachable, yet jealous and resentful when roused. They are eager for education, adapt themselves readily to Western habits and rise rapidly into positions of prominence and responsibility.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Color the words in the drawing, and remember that Jesus will speak these words



to us if only we serve Him faithfully. For, although we cannot see Him now, He will surely come again and will reward all those who have been diligently trying to do His will.

—
I Have Learned To-day
THAT JESUS TRUSTS ME

Lesson V.

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

August 2, 1914

Mark 11 : 1-11—Memory Verses, 7-9.

Golden Text—Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion ; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem : behold, thy king cometh unto thee.—Zechariah 9 : 9 (Rev. Ver.).



1 And when they came nigh to Jeru'salem, unto Beth'phage and Beth'any, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples,

2 And saith unto them, Go your way into the village over against you : and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat ; loose him, and bring *him*.

3 And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this ? say ye that the Lord hath need of him ; and straightway he will send him hither.

4 And they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met ; and they loose him.

5 And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt ?

6 And they said unto them even as Je'sus had commanded : and they let them go.

7 And they brought the colt to Je'sus, and cast their garments on him ; and he sat upon him.

8 And many spread their garments in the way : and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.

9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosan'na ; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord :

10 Blessed be the kingdom of our father Da'vid, that cometh in the name of the Lord : Hosan'na in the highest.

11 And Je'sus entered into Jeru'salem, and into the temple : and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Beth'any with the twelve.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The great feast of the Passover was drawing very near. The roads leading to Jerusalem were filled every day with crowds of people. Some had come from nearby places; some had come from far away. Some walked, others rode.

One day, when Jesus and His disciples were on their way to Jerusalem and were only a mile or two from the city, He called two of His disciples to Him. He said: "Go over to that little village beyond us. There you will find a colt tied at a door, a colt upon which no man ever yet has sat. Untie him and bring him to Me. If anyone should say, 'Why do ye do this?' say: 'The Lord hath need of him. He will return the colt as soon as He has done with him.'"

The two disciples went and found the colt. It was tied by a door, as Jesus said it would be. When some people standing by

asked, "Why do ye take the colt?" the disciples gave the answer that Jesus told them to give. When the owner of the colt heard this, he was quite willing to let the colt go. It may be that he was a friend and follower of Jesus and would be only too glad to be able to do something for one whom he loved.

They brought the colt to Jesus. Then they folded part of their garments and made a saddle. Jesus sat upon the colt, and they went on again toward Jerusalem.

Among the crowds were many whom Jesus had helped. Many others had seen the wonderful things that Jesus did.

When they saw Jesus they hastened to Him. They began to give Him the honor which He should have received every day. They threw their garments in the road for Him to pass over. Many cut down palm

branches and leaves, and threw them in the way over the rough stones.

As the procession moved down the Mount of Olives, the great city and the beautiful golden and marble temple came into view. The happy people began to sing: "Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to Jesus."

Some of the people within Jerusalem heard the praise songs, and they came out to meet Jesus.

When the procession reached the city the people within cried: "Who is this? Why do the people honor Him like a king?"

The followers answered, "This is Jesus, the great teacher."

Only the scribes and Pharisees did not join in the happy chorus. They did not want Jesus to be welcomed as a king. But Jesus went into the temple, which was His heavenly Father's house, and looked about on all that was going on in it. Then, since evening was coming on, He went out to the village of Bethany, on the side of the Mount of Olives, not far from Jerusalem, to spend the night.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What great feast was near at hand? 2. To what city were many people going? 3. Where were Jesus and His disciples? 4. What did Jesus tell two of the disciples to do? 5. What question were they asked? 6. What answer did they give? 7. How did they make a saddle for the colt? 8. Whither did Jesus and His disciples then go? 9. What did the people do when they saw Jesus coming? 10. What did they sing? 11. What question did the people of the city ask? 12. What answer was given? 13. Into what building did Jesus go? 14. Whither did He go in the evening? 15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

When, His salvation bringing,
 To Zion Jesus came,
 The children all stood singing
 Hosanna to His name;
 Nor did their zeal offend Him,
 But, as He rode along,
 He bade them still attend Him,
 And smiled to hear their song. Amen.
 —Hymn 540, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—107. Can the washing with water take away our sins? No. It is the blood and Spirit of Jesus Christ that cleanses from sin.

SHORTER CATECHISM—97. What is required to the worthy receiving of the Lord's supper? A. It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

The Question on Missions

5. What are the religions of the East Indians? Most of them are Hindus, while some are Mohammedans. Hinduism teaches the worship of many gods. Mohammedanism acknowledges only one God, but denies the divinity of Jesus. Both these religions are very cruel and degrading, especially to women and children.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The drawing (*color*) shows us a palm branch like those which the people used in welcoming



Jesus when He came to the city of Jerusalem. We, too, should honor Him, for He is our Saviour and king and has done great things for us.

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD WORSHIP JESUS

Lesson VI. **THE BARREN FIG TREE AND THE DEFILED TEMPLE—TEMPERANCE LESSON** August 9, 1914

Mark 11 : 12-26. Study Mark 11 : 12-33—Memory Verses, 22, 23.

Golden Text—By their fruits ye shall know them.—Matthew 7 : 20.



but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass ; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.

25 And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any : that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

26 But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

12 And on the morrow, when they were come from Beth'any, he was hungry :

13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon : and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves ; for the time of figs was not *yet*.

14 And Je'sus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard *it*.

15 And they come to Jeru'salem : and Je'sus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves ;

16 And would not suffer that any man should carry *any* vessel through the temple.

17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer ? but ye have made it a den of thieves.

18 And the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might destroy him : for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.

19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.

20 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.

21 And Pe'ter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

22 And Je'sus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.

23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea ; and shall not doubt in his heart,

THE LESSON RETOLD

It was Monday morning. Jesus and His disciples were again on the way to Jerusalem and the temple. The night before they had gone away to stay in the little town of Bethany. As Jesus traveled along He grew hungry. He saw a fig tree covered with beautiful green leaves, and He went to it.

It was very early in the season for a tree to have so many green leaves. But when a fig tree has fine, full-grown leaves, it should be a sign that there is fruit to eat. There should have been plenty of figs under the leaves.

When Jesus reached the tree and looked for figs, there were none at all. The tree was a sham; it bore nothing but leaves.

Jesus said, "No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever."

The master and His disciples went on till they reached the temple. When He entered the great court He saw sights that He knew

were displeasing to God. In some places men were selling doves and animals for the sacrifices. In other places men were selling oil. In other places men sat at tables changing money. Everywhere there was busy trading. The buyers and sellers were trying to make good bargains for themselves. Many were doing things which were not honest.

Jesus exclaimed, "It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves!" Then He overturned the tables of the money changers, and drove the sellers of goods from the court of God's holy place. He would not even allow people going from one part of the city to another to use the temple grounds for a short cut.

A great many people were filled with wonder; but the scribes and Pharisees were more angry at Jesus than ever.

That evening Jesus and His disciples again left Jerusalem and spent the night at Bethany. The next morning, as they were returning to Jerusalem and were walking along the road, they came to the fig tree on which Jesus, the day before, had found no fruit, and Peter said: "Master, behold the fig tree! It is withered away!" They looked; and there stood the unfruitful tree, withered and drying up at the roots. Jesus told His disciples that they should trust in God. For just as God's power had been able to cause the fig tree to wither away, so it would help them to do things which seemed as hard as it would be to move a mountain and place it in the middle of the sea.

Now we may learn from the Lesson that the life of each of God's children on earth is like a fruit tree, and kind deeds and loving words are the fruits. Jesus wants us to have these fruits in our lives to show that we are true followers of His. And, if we ask Him, He will surely help us to be fruitful. There is no one too small and weak to bear some fruit for Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. To what city were Jesus and His disciples going? 2. Where had they spent the night before? 3. What kind of a tree did Jesus see? 4. Why did He go to it? 5. How was He disappointed? 6. What did He say to the fig tree? 7. Whither did Jesus and His disciples then go? 8. What did He find going on in the temple? 9. What did He say? 10. What did He do? 11. Who wondered at this? 12. Who were made angry? 13. Whither did Jesus and the disciples again go in the evening? 14. When did they go back to Jerusalem? 15. What had happened to the fig tree? 16. Who spoke of this? 17. What may we learn from the Lesson? 18. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Lord, this day Thy children meet
In Thy courts with willing feet:
Unto Thee this day they raise
Grateful hearts in hymns of praise.

Not alone the day of rest
With Thy worship shall be blest;

In our pleasure and our glee,
Lord, we would remember Thee. Amen.
—Hymn 574, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—108. What does our baptism teach us? Our baptism teaches us that we belong to Christ, and must be true to Him.

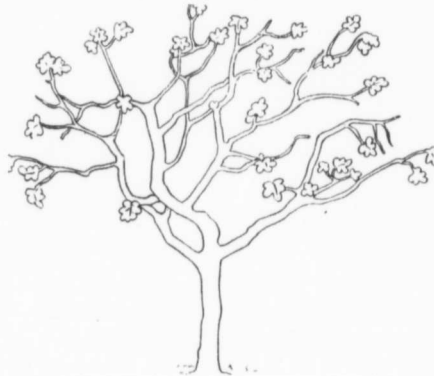
SHORTER CATECHISM—98. What is prayer? A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

The Question on Missions

6. How is the time of the East Indian child spent? In very many cases children are put to work at a very early age, first at home, then, later, in the sugar cane and rice fields, tending cattle, and otherwise working hard, enjoying nothing of the freedom of childhood.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Look at the tree in the drawing (*color*). It has leaves on it here and there, but no fruit.



It is like the barren fig tree to which Jesus came on His way from Bethany to Jerusalem. How sad it would be if Jesus were to find no fruit in our lives!

I Have Learned Today

THAT JESUS WANTS TRUE SERVICE

Lesson VII.

THE WICKED HUSBANDMEN

August 16, 1914

Matthew 21 : 33-46—Memory Verses, 42-44.

Golden Text—The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner.—Matthew 21 : 42 (Rev. Ver.)



45 And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they perceived that he spake of them.
46 But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude, because they took him for a prophet.

33 Hear another parable : There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country :

34 And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it.

35 And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.

36 Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.

37 But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.

38 But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir ; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.

39 And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him.

40 When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen ?

41 They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

42 Je'sus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner : this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes ?

43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.

44 And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken : but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The Lesson contains a story that Jesus told in the temple. Once there was a man who planted a vineyard. He set a hedge round about it to protect it from wild beasts. He planted fine young vines in it. He made a winepress for the making of wine from the grapes, and built a tower from which a watch could be kept lest robbers should come into the vineyard and steal its fruit. The man did everything that he could for his vineyard.

When all this was done, the owner rented the vineyard to men called husbandmen, and he himself went to a far country.

By and by the time for fruit-gathering came. The owner sent servants to bring him his share of the fruit of the vineyard, for the rent was to be paid in fruit. But the husbandmen caught the servants and one they beat, another they killed and at another they flung stones.

The owner then sent other servants to ask for the rent of the vineyard. But the wicked husbandmen treated these servants just as

they had treated those first sent, and refused to give the owner what belonged to him by right.

So the master tried again and again to get his fruit from the husbandmen, but, in spite of all that he could do, they refused to give what they owed, and showed their hatred to the owner by ill-treating and even killing his servants.

Now the master of the vineyard had a son, an only son, whom he dearly loved. He said to himself, "They surely will honor my son," and he sent him to get the fruit of the vineyard which belonged to him.

When the wicked husbandmen saw the son they said: "This is the heir. The father expects to give him the vineyard some day. Come, let us kill him! Then the vineyard may be ours."

Then the wicked men seized the son and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him.

When Jesus finished telling His story, He asked the people: "When the owner of the

vineyard cometh, what will he do to those husbandmen?"

The people quickly answered: "He will miserably destroy those wicked men. He will put his vineyard into the care of good husbandmen."

The scribes and Pharisees who listened to the story said among themselves: "Jesus means that we are the wicked husbandmen! He means that He is the son of the owner of the vineyard." For in the Old Testament God's people, the Jews, had been likened to a vineyard. God had cared for them and done more for them than the owner in Jesus' parable had done for his vineyard. And God expected, in return, that His people would give Him their love and obedience. But they had not loved God nor obeyed Him as they ought to have done.

So the scribes and Pharisees, who were the leaders of the Jews, were so angry at Jesus that they wanted to seize Him and put Him to death, but they were afraid of what the people might do to them if they treated Him so. For they knew that the people loved to listen to Jesus and believed that He had come to them with a message from God, just as the Old Testament prophets spoke for God to the people.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What did a man do for his vineyard? 2. To whom did he rent it? 3. Whither did he himself go? 4. When did he return? 5. How was the rent to be paid? 6. Whom did the owner send to receive his share? 7. How were the servants treated? 8. What did the owner then do? 9. How were these servants treated? 10. Whom did he send at last? 11. How did he expect his son to be treated? 12. How did the husbandmen treat the son? 13. What question did Jesus ask? 14. What did the people answer? 15. Why were the scribes and Pharisees angry? 16. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

He, who came to save us,
He, who bled and died,
Now is crowned with glory
At His Father's side.

Never more to suffer,
Never more to die;
Jesus, King of glory,
Is gone up on high!

Amen.

—Hymn 537, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—109. Why are the children of Christians baptized? Because they are members of the Church, and are to be cared for and taught to love and serve Jesus Christ.

SHORTER CATECHISM—99. *What rule hath God given for our direction in prayer?* A. The whole word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called *The Lord's Prayer*.

The Question on Missions

7. How are the people reached by the missionaries? By holding open air meetings in the villages and among the residences on the sugar estates; by visiting the people in their homes and meeting them individually as opportunity offers; and by going in and out among them in their times of grief and joy.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Here is a drawing of a tower, like those which were commonly built in Eastern vineyards for keeping watch over the fruit. A



watchman is standing on the top of the tower. Copy the drawing, and remember that God expects to receive fruit from our lives just as the owner of the vineyard in the Lesson looked for fruit from the husbandmen.

I Have Learned To-day That
I SHOULD BE THANKFUL TO GOD

Lesson VIII.

THE WEDDING FEAST

August 23, 1914

Matthew 22 : 1-14—Memory Verses, 8, 9.

Golden Text—O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killeth the prophets, and stoneth them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her own brood under her wings, and ye would not!—Luke 13 : 34 (Rev. Ver.).



1 And Je'sus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,

2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,

3 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding : and they would not come.

4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner : my oxen and *my* fatlings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready : come unto the marriage.

5 But they made light of *it*, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise :

6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated *them* spitefully, and slew *them*.

7 But when the king heard *thereof*, he was wroth : and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.

9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and

as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good : and the wedding was furnished with guests.

11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment :

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment ? And he was speechless.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness ; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

14 For many are called, but few *are* chosen.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The story in to-day's Lesson is one of the last which Jesus told. There was once a king who made a marriage supper for his son. He prepared many good things for the feast.

Now it was the custom in that land, when people had been invited to a feast, to send servants to let them know that the time had come for them to set out. So, when the supper was ready, the king sent servants to call those who had been invited. Strange to say they would not come.

Again the king sent out other servants, and he told them to say: "Come, the feast is ready! Come to the marriage supper!" But these strange people paid no heed to the call of their king. Some of them kept on with their work on the farm or buying and

selling goods, just as if the invitation had never been given to them. Others treated the messengers spitefully and tormented them. Some they killed.

The king heard how his servants had been treated. He sent out his soldiers and punished those murderers. He burned their city.

Then he said to his servants: "The guests that were bidden are not worthy. Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to my feast. Call every one."

The servants went out into the highways. They gathered together all whom they could find, and brought them to the feast. When the king came to see his guests, he found there a man who had not clothed himself in

the robe which the king had given him.

He said, "Friend, how comest thou in hither without a wedding garment?" The man could give no answer.

Then the king said: "Bind him hand and foot. Cast him out into the darkness."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who made a marriage supper? 2. For whom was it made? 3. What did the king do when the feast was ready? 4. How did the people who were invited act? 5. What did the king do? 6. Whom did he then send his servants to invite? 7. What did the king find when he came in to the feast? 8. What did he ask? 9. How was the man without a wedding garment punished? 10. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"I've tried all the boys on our street and not one of them will promise to come to Mission Band next week. I've coaxed Fred and Len and Jack and Allan, and I'm sure Miss Moore can't expect me to do more'n that." "Perhaps not," said mother. "But are you sure you haven't missed any one?"

Lester thought hard as he walked away. He knew he hadn't gone to *quite* all the boys, but then no one would expect him to ask Jerry and Bob Flynn. Why they were almost like heathen themselves!

But when the Mission Band met, Jerry and Bob were in the very front seat, and a happy Lester beside them. "I should have asked them first," he explained, "'cause they were the very ones who were most ready to come."

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!'

*Joyful, joyful will the meeting be,
When from sin our hearts are pure and free,
And we shall gather, Saviour, with Thee,
In our eternal home. Amen.*

—Hymn 560, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—110. When Jesus Christ was about to leave the world, how did he ask to be remembered? Jesus appointed the Lord's Supper, and said, "This do in remembrance of Me."

SHORTER CATECHISM—100. *What doth the preface of the Lord's prayer teach us?* A. The preface of the Lord's prayer (which is, *Our Father which art in heaven*) teacheth us to draw near to God with all holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father, able and ready to help us; and that we should pray with and for others.

The Question on Missions

8. Has the work grown? Yes. It has spread from Better Hope in Demerara to Berbice on the east, and to Essequibo on the north and west. There are 70 native workers, including day school teachers; 24 day schools and 31 Sunday Schools. The number of converts is increasing each year.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Color the drawing, which shows us a king seated upon his throne. Remember how the



king in the Lesson made a great feast to which many were invited. So God invites us all to share the rich blessings of the gospel.

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD ACCEPT GOD'S INVITATION

Lesson IX.

A DAY OF QUESTIONS

August 30, 1914

Matthew 22 : 15-22—Memory Verses, 16, 17.

Golden Text—Render therefore unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's ; and unto God the things that are God's.—Matthew 22 : 21 (Rev. Ver.).



15 Then went the Phar'isees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk.

16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herod'ians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man : for thou regardest not the person of men.

17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou ? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not ?

18 But Je'sus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites ?

19 Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny.

20 And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription ?

21 They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's ; and unto God the things that are God's.

22 When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

THE LESSON RETOLD

While Jesus was in the temple one day, a number of men came near Him and began talking with Him. They pretended to be the friends of Jesus, but they really were no friends at all.

The men said: "Master, we know that Thou art true and brave. Thou art not afraid to speak the truth." So these false men began to praise and flatter Jesus.

Then they said: "What thinkest Thou? Is it right for us to give tax money to Cæsar, or not? Tell us."

Cæsar was the great emperor of the Roman people, who ruled over almost the whole world. Palestine, the land in which Jesus lived, was under Cæsar's power. He lived in a palace in Rome, far away from Jerusalem, the capital of Palestine, and made the people send him part of their money every year to buy himself chariots and horses and kingly robes and dishes of gold and dainty food. The Jews hated him because he was a foreign ruler, and because he treated them harshly.

The men who spoke to Jesus, waited for an answer. They thought to themselves: "Now we have made trouble for Jesus! If

He says: 'No, do not pay the tax money to Cæsar. It is wrong,' the soldiers will take Him prisoner. Cæsar will punish Him. If He says: 'Yes, pay the tax money to Cæsar. It is right,' the people will be angry. The people hate Cæsar and the tax money. They will seize Jesus and hurt Him. At last we have brought trouble to Jesus," and they were glad.

But Jesus understood their wickedness. He could look right down into their hearts and see the evil thoughts and desires which were there. He said: "Why do ye tempt Me? Show Me the tax money."

They brought him a silver coin called a penny, but which was really worth about 16 cents of our money. On it was stamped a picture of Cæsar and his name.

Jesus said, "Whose is this image and name? They answered, "Cæsar's."

Jesus said, "Pay then to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's." Then Jesus added, "And give to God the things that are God's."

The Bible tells us that man was made in the image of God. God made man, and man belongs to Him. Jesus' words mean: "We

are made in God's likeness, and belong to God. He has a right to our love and obedience. If it was right for the Jews to give to Cæsar the money that was his, we ought to give to God what belongs to Him."

Jesus made a true answer. The men were disappointed and surprised and went away.

Jesus wants us, also, to give to God the things that belong to Him. Some of these things are our love and worship and our keeping of God's holy day. At the same time He wants us to give to all around us the things which belong to Him, such as kindness and helpfulness.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where was Jesus? 2. Who began talking with Him? 3. What did they pretend? 4. What question did they ask of Jesus? 5. What was their purpose in asking this question? 6. What did Jesus bid them do? 7. What question did He ask? 8. What was the answer? 9. What did Jesus then say? 10. In whose likeness were we made? 11. To whom, then, do we belong? 12. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

Guy could hardly wait until the new red canoe was carried down to the lake. "I hope it will be calm to-morrow," he said as he crept into bed. "I can hardly wait."

But by morning big whitecaps could be seen on the lake, and for two days the canoe could not go out. "It's calm to-day," shouted Guy on the third morning, "hurry and let me have breakfast, mother, so's I can try her." "To-day!" asked mother, and Guy hung his head. "Has my boy forgotten whose day this is?" "It's God's," whispered Guy.

"Yes. The only one He asks us to keep and use for Him. Surely you do not grudge Him *one* when He has given us so many. It is the only right and happy way, dear." And as Guy pushed the canoe off early Monday morning, he whispered to himself: "I do believe it does make a fellow feel best, after all."

Lesson Hymn

Behold the amazing gift of love
The Father hath bestowed

On us, the sinful sons of men,
To call us sons of God!

Our souls, we know, when He appears,
Shall bear His image bright;
For all His glory, full disclosed,
Shall open to our sight. Amen.

—Hymn 203, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—111. What is meant by the bread in the Lord's Supper? The body of Christ, who is the bread of life.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 97-100.

The Question on Missions

9. Are there Sunday Schools, and what are they like? There are many Sunday Schools. Some are well organized and the scholars are in regular classes. Some Schools are held in our churches and day school buildings, some under trees and in open galleries. The children learn the same lessons as are taught in Canadian Sunday Schools.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The head in the drawing (*color*) stands for that of the Roman emperor which was stamped on the coins used by the Jews in



the days of Jesus. Remember that we ought to obey cheerfully and willingly the rulers set over us and, above all, that we ought to obey God who made us and keeps us in life.

I Have Learned Today
THAT I SHOULD BE TRUE

Lesson X.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

September 6, 1914

Mark 12 : 28-34, 41-44. Study Mark 12 : 28-44—Memory Verses, 29-31.

Golden Text—Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind ; and thy neighbour as thyself.— Luke 10 : 27.



28 And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all ?

29 And Je'sus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Is'rael ; The Lord our God is one Lord :

30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind ; and with all thy strength : this is the first commandment.

31 And the second is like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth : for there is one God ; and there is none other but he :

33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

34 And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask him *any* question.

41 And Je'sus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury : and many that were rich cast in much.

42 And there came a certain poor widow, and she throw in two mites, which make a farthing.

43 And he called *unto* him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury :

44 For all *they* did cast in of their abundance ; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, *even* all her living.

THE LESSON RETOLD

A man who had studied and studied till he knew a great deal, came to Jesus in the temple to ask a question. He was called a scribe, and he knew many things about the law. He thought that his question was a very hard question.

The scribe said to Jesus, "Which is the greatest of all the laws?" Now this was a question about which the Jews disputed a great deal among themselves.

Jesus answered, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the greatest commandment."

Again Jesus said: "The second is this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these."

The scribe understood what Jesus said. He answered: "Master, I know that is the truth. There is but one God. We should give Him our hearts and our lives. And we should love our neighbors as ourselves. To do these things is more pleasing in God's sight than all the gifts which can be offered. There is no gift that can be worth more than love to God and love to our neighbor."

Jesus was glad that the scribe answered so wisely. He said, "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God."

As Jesus sat in the temple, He saw the people give their money offerings. One

after another came and dropped the money in the offering boxes.

Rich men gave from full moneybags. When the Pharisees gave they were glad to have people see them. They wished to be thought generous.

As Jesus watched the givers and their gifts, a poor widow came with the others. When she reached the offering box, she dropped in two mites.

A mite is a very little piece of money. It would take eight to make one of our pennies.

But the widow was poor. It was hard for her to give even two mites. It was all she had. She gave because she truly loved God.

Jesus said to His disciples: "I say unto you that this poor widow has given more than all the others. The others gave out of their plenty; but she gave all that she had. God looks at the heart of the giver, not at the size of the gift. The loving heart is the gift which the heavenly Father values most of all." If we have that, then God will be pleased with our offering no matter how small it is. For it is sure to be as large as we can make it.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who came to ask a question of Jesus?
2. About what did the scribe know a great deal?
3. What question did he ask of Jesus?
4. What did Jesus say was the greatest Commandment?
5. What did He say was the second?
6. What answer did the scribe make?
7. What did Jesus say of the scribe?
8. What did Jesus see in the temple?
9. What kind of gifts did the rich Pharisees give?
10. Why did they do this?
11. How

much did a poor widow give? 12. Why did Jesus praise her? 13. What gift does the heavenly Father value most of all? 14. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by Thee, we covet most,
Of Thy gifts at Pentecost,
Holy, heavenly love.

Though I as a martyr bleed,
Give my goods the poor to feed,
All is vain if love I need;

Therefore give me love. Amen.

—Hymn 229, Book of Praise

I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD GIVE FROM LOVE

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—112. What is meant by the wine in the Lord's Supper? The blood of Christ, shed for our sins.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 94-100.

The Question on Missions

10. Are there enough workers and schools? No, many villages have neither schools nor religious teachers. Thousands of children are growing to be men and women without learning about Jesus. In many cases people beg the missionaries to go to them; but there are neither enough men nor money.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Copy the words from the Golden Text, and try, day by day, to do what they command.

Love the Lord thy God

Lesson XI.

THE TEN VIRGINS

September 13, 1914

Matthew 25 : 1-13—Memory Verses, 1-4.

Golden Text—Watch therefore, for ye know not the day nor the hour.—Matthew 25 : 13 (Rev. Ver.).



1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them :

4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh ; go ye out to meet him.

7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil ; for our lamps are gone out.

9 But the wise answered, saying, *Not so ;* lest there be not enough for us and you ; but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came ; and they that were ready went

in with him to the marriage : and the door was shut.

11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

12 But he answered and said. Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus once told a story about a wedding party. Ten maidens, the bride's friends, helped her to make ready for it.

By and by all was prepared. The bride was clothed in her best robe. The house was in order, the feast on the tables. Everything was in readiness for the bridegroom and his friends to come.

No one knew just when the bridegroom would come. Some time in the night the lights of torches would be seen, and the sounds of singing would be heard. Every one then would know that he was near at hand.

The ten friends of the bride went out to meet the bridegroom coming with his friends. They had lamps to light them through the dark streets.

Five of the maidens were wise, for they had not only filled their lamps with oil, but, besides, had taken an extra supply of oil with them in vessels, so that if the bridegroom should

be so long in coming and the oil in their lamps would be used up, they would have plenty with which to refill them. They were quite ready for the bridegroom whether he should come at once or whether they should have to wait a long time for his coming. But five of the maidens were foolish, for, though they had oil in their lamps, they had neglected to take any in vessels to fill their lamps should these become empty. If the bridegroom should be long in coming, the five foolish maidens would be in danger of having no oil for their lamps. Presently, as the maidens waited, they all fell fast asleep.

They slept soundly, for the hour was late and they were very tired. They had no fear of not waking up when the bridegroom was coming, for they knew that the shouts and cries of the company with him would rouse them from their slumbers. So they slept and slept in peace and confidence

When midnight came, the people in the

street began to call, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh!"

The maidens rose, and began to trim their lamps, that they might go forth with lights and songs to meet the bridegroom and go with him to the marriage feast. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out." But the wise maidens answered: "No, no! there will not be enough for us all. Go and buy for yourselves." Then the foolish maidens began to rush about hither and thither trying to get a supply of oil. But it was midnight, and all the places for selling oil would be shut.

While the foolish maidens were trying to buy oil, the bridegroom came. Those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast and the door was shut. Not long afterwards the other maidens came and cried, "Lord, Lord, open to us!" But he answered, "I know you not," and the foolish maidens were kept away from the feast, all because they had not provided themselves with oil for their lamps.

How sorry they would be that they had not followed the example of their wise companions and provided themselves with a sufficient supply of oil!

When Jesus finished His story He said, "I want you to be ready for all the joys which the heavenly Father is preparing for you." And because we do not know the time when Jesus will come to take us to heaven, we should be ready all the time. Then when He does come, how glad we shall be. For He will take us to be with Himself forever and ever.

Questions on the Lesson

1. About what did Jesus tell a story? 2. How many of the bride's friends are mentioned? 3. How would it be known when the bridegroom was coming? 4. What did the friends of the bride do? 5. What did they take with them? 6. Why did they do this? 7. How many of the maidens were wise? 8. How did they show their wisdom? 9. How many were foolish? 10. How did they show their folly? 11. At what time did the bridegroom come? 12. Who went in to the marriage feast? 13. Who were shut out? 14. For what does Jesus want us to be ready? 15. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Hymn

Hark! 'tis the watchman's cry,
Wake, brethren, wake!
Jesus our Lord is nigh;
Wake, brethren, wake.
Sleep is for sons of night;
Ye are children of the light,
Yours is the glory bright;
Wake, brethren, wake! Amen.
—Hymn 83, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—113. Who should go to the Lord's Supper? Those only should go to the Lord's Supper who love Jesus Christ and try to follow Him daily.

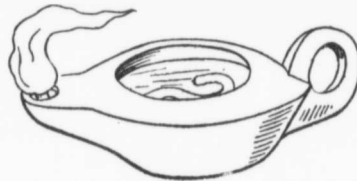
SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 1-20.

The Question on Missions

11. What becomes of the children thus neglected? In very many cases they become worse than their parents. Their own religion has but little hold on them, and Christianity has none at all.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Copy this drawing of an Eastern lamp, and remember, that just as the wise virgins were



ready, with their lamps burning and having plenty of oil, for the bridegroom's coming, so we should be ready for the coming of Jesus at whatever time it may be.

I Have Learned To-day That

I SHOULD BE READY FOR JESUS'
COMING

Matthew 25 : 31-46—Me. vory Verses, 34-36:

Golden Text—Inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of these least, ye did it not unto me.
—Matthew 25 : 45 (Rev. Ver.).



and ye visited me not.

44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee ?

45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment : but the righteous into life eternal.

THE LESSON RETOLD

THE SHEPHERD AND HIS FLOCK

There was a shepherd who dwelt in the far country where Jesus lived. Every morning he led his flock to pastures where there was fresh green grass and sweet water.

There were both sheep and goats in this shepherd's flock. They traveled along together. Sometimes the path to the green pastures led through unsafe places, where robbers hid. Sometimes fierce, wild animals crouched behind the rocks. As the flock went along, the little lambs and sheep were good and willing and obedient. But the goats were often unruly and wild.

One day the shepherd turned round and faced his flock. He gently tapped one of his good little sheep on its head with his long crook. It moved over to the shepherd's right side, the best side to be on. The shepherd gently tapped each obedient sheep and all moved to the right side.

31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory :

32 And before him shall be gathered all nations : and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats :

33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world :

35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat : I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink : I was a stranger, and ye took me in :

36 Naked, and ye clothed me : I was sick, and ye visited me : I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee ? or thirsty, and gave thee drink ?

38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in ? or naked, and clothed thee ?

39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee ?

40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels :

42 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat : I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink :

43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in : naked, and ye clothed me not : sick, and in prison,

and ye visited me not.

44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee ?

45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment : but the righteous into life eternal.

Then the shepherd tapped one of the wild, unruly goats and it moved to his left side. He tapped another and another. This the shepherd did till all the sheep were at his right, and the goats were at his left.

A TRUE STORY THAT JESUS TOLD

Jesus said: "Some day I shall come again to the earth. All the people shall be gathered before Me. I shall put the true and obedient at My right hand. But those who have not been obedient shall be put on the left.

"I shall come as a King. I shall say to those at My right hand: 'Come, ye good and obedient, whom God loves. Come to the home that is ready for you. When I was hungry ye gave Me meat. When I was thirsty, ye gave Me drink. When I was sick, ye cared for Me.'"

Those at His right will ask, "When did we do these things, Lord?"

Then the King shall answer, "When ye did these things for those round about you, ye did for Me."

Questions on the Lesson

1. What two kinds of animals were found in flocks in the country of Jesus? 2. From what were they in danger? 3. What were the lambs and sheep like? 4. What were the goats like? 5. How did the shepherd divide his flock? 6. On what side did he put the sheep? 7. On what side the goats? 8. What did Jesus say would happen when He should come again to the earth? 9. What would He say to the good and obedient? 10. What would He say to the wicked? 11. How can we show kindness to Jesus? 12. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

"Everybody can do something for missions but me," sighed Alice, as she watched the shining needles fly in and out of the soft bits of cloth. "I wish I were big enough to belong to the mission sewing class now." "Well you're not," said Myra, as she proudly threaded a big needle, "but I am."

There didn't seem to be anything a small girl could do that afternoon, so Alice wandered over to where Mrs. Graham was trying to cut out quilt patches and keep a fretful baby quiet. In a minute Alice had led the fretful baby to the corner and was amusing him with funny shadow pictures on the wall.

"You've done a splendid afternoon's work, girls," smiled the president, as they filed out. "And I think perhaps Alice has done the most of all." "Why—why that

wasn't mission work," exclaimed Alice. "The very best kind, dear, for I am sure it was done for His sake, and that's what counts."

Lesson Hymn

Look, ye saints! the sight is glorious!
See the Man of Sorrows now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to Him shall bow:
Crown Him! crown Him!
Crowns become the Victor's brow.
Amen.

—Hymn 67, Book of Praise

I Have Learned Today

THAT JESUS WILL JUDGE ME

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—114. What are baptism and the Lord's Supper called? Baptism and the Lord's Supper are called sacraments. 115. Are there any sacraments besides baptism and the Lord's Supper? No. Jesus appointed only these two.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 21-38.

The Question on Missions

12. How do we secure more and better workers? For the day schools,—by sending promising scholars from our day schools to our Normal School in Trinidad, whence they return certificated teachers; for religious teachers,—by selecting men from among the converts, instructing them first at home, and then sending them to Trinidad for advanced study.

AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The drawing (color) reminds us that one day Jesus will separate the bad from the good. In which class shall we be when that day shall come?



Lesson XIII. **REVIEW—JESUS THE JUDGE OF MEN** September 27, 1914

Read John 3 : 14-21.

Golden Text—I come quickly : hold fast that which thou hast, that no one take thy crown.—Revelation 3 : 11 (Rev. Ver.).

REPEAT—Golden Texts for the Quarter. **BIBLE WORK.** SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGES. **PRIMARY CATECHISM**—Questions 102-115. **SHORTER CATECHISM**—The Ten Commandments. **SUPPLEMENTAL HYMN**—558, Book of Praise. **THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE QUARTER.**

The Pictures for the Quarter

Let us look again at the Lesson Pictures for the Quarter and see how much we can remember of the Lessons.

Lesson I. Who are the two men seated at the table? What had the men standing up been doing? Of what did some of them complain? How did the vineyard owner answer?

Lesson II. Whom do we see in the picture? Which two of the disciples are nearest to Jesus? What did they ask of Him? What did He reply? How did He tell the disciples they could become truly great?

Lesson III. Who is sitting by the roadside? Who are coming along the way? Who tried to hinder Bartimæus from coming to Jesus? What did Jesus do for the blind man?

Lesson IV. How many men are in the picture? Who is the one sitting down? Who are those standing? To whom is the master speaking? What had he given to each servant? What use had each made of his pound?

Lesson V. What kind of an animal do we see in the picture? Who is sitting on it? Whither in He going? What are the people about Him doing?

Lesson VI. What sort of tree do we see in the picture? Who is standing under it? Why had He come to the tree? How was He disappointed? What did He say to the tree? What happened to it?

Lesson VII. Who is the man lying on the ground? What had happened to him? Why had the wicked husbandmen killed him? Who became very angry at Jesus? Why?

Lesson VIII. For whom had the king in the picture made a feast? Whom had he invited? How did these treat the invitations? What did the king then do? Where did he find guests for his feast?

Lesson IX. Who is the one in the picture with hand uplifted? Who are standing about Him? What did they ask Him about? What did Jesus answer?

Lesson X. Of what building do we see a part in the picture? Who is the one sitting down? What was Jesus doing? Who is the woman in the picture? What is she doing? How much money did she put in? Why did Jesus praise her?

Lesson XI. Whom do we see in the picture? What are they doing? For whom are they waiting? How many virgins were there? How many of them were wise? How many were foolish? Why were the foolish shut out from the wedding feast?

Lesson XII. What is the shepherd in the picture doing? What sort of animals are on the right hand? What sort are on the left? Whom does Jesus say He will separate? When?

Lesson Hymn

Rejoice, the Lord is King;
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus, the Judge, shall come,
And take His servants up
To their eternal home:
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice,
The trump of God shall sound, Rejoice. Amen.

—Hymn 69, Book of Praise

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

That Jesus will come again

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. The Laborers in the Vineyard.	LESSON VII. The Wicked Husbandmen.
LESSON II. Greatness through Service.	LESSON VIII. The Wedding Feast.
LESSON III. Blind Bartimæus.	LESSON IX. A Day of Questions.
LESSON IV. The Pounds and the Talents.	LESSON X. The Great Commandments.
LESSON V. The Triumphal Entry.	LESSON XI. The Ten Virgins.
LESSON VI. The Barren Fig Tree and the Defiled Temple (Temp. Lesson).	LESSON XII. The Judgment of the Nations.

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.]

Name Address

Name of Sabbath School Teacher's Name

DATE 1914	JULY				AUGUST					SEPTEMBER				TOTAL FOR QUARTER
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