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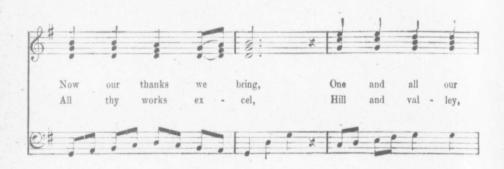
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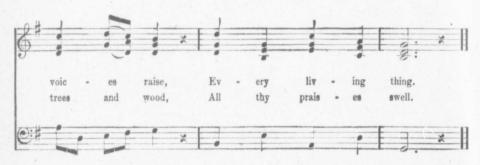
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"Where the pools are bright and deep,"
Where the gray trout lies asleep,
Up the river, and o'er the lea,
That's the way for Billy and me."

That is, if father and mother say "Yes." You can't have a good time without that, you know.

"Where the mowers mow the cleanest, Where the hay lies thick and greenest;

That's the way for Billy and me."

Sometimes we can carry to father and the other men in the field a drink of fresh water or lemonade. That's the idea, isn't it?—to help father, mother, everyone, all you can.

There are some stories about helping in this book. Read them. There is a story about the good things that came to a boy who obeyed his father and mother. Learn it.

THE CHURCH: ITS LIFE AND WORK



Acts 2:37-47; I Thessalonians 5:11-15

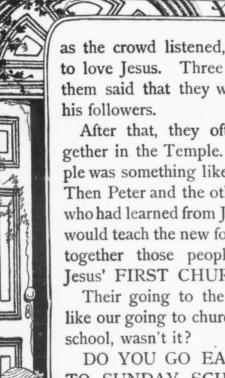
Jesus had gone to live in heaven. He had left his disciples only ten days before. And now Peter and Jesus' other disciples were gathered together in an upper room, praying.

Suddenly, as they prayed, a sound like a rushing, mighty wind swept through the house. Then a beautiful light like a flame of fire came and rested on each disciple's head. It was God's Holy Spirit.

As the beautiful light rested upon them, a wonderful change came to the disciples' hearts. They became braver and wiser and truer.

Meanwhile people outside had heard the sound like a mighty, rushing wind. They stopped and listened. Then they crowded around the house.

Peter, Jesus' disciple, stood up and spoke to them. He told them about Jesus. And



as the crowd listened, they began to love Jesus. Three thousand of them said that they wanted to be

After that, they often met together in the Temple. The Temple was something like our church. Then Peter and the other disciples, who had learned from Jesus himself, would teach the new followers. All together those people made up Jesus' FIRST CHURCH.

Their going to the Temple was like our going to church or Sunday

DO YOU GO EACH WEEK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL? DO YOU LEARN THE LESSONS THERE?

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise." -Psalm 100:4.

"Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it." -Ephesians 5:25.

BAPTISM

Matthew 28: 18-20; Mark 1:1-11; Acts 8: 26-40



"Arise and go to the south. Take the road which leads out of Jerusalem."

An angel of the Lord spoke those words to Philip, one of Jesus' followers, and as soon as he heard the command he obeyed.

Presently a prince came riding along in a beautiful, gilded chariot, and the angel spoke, "Go and join the prince."

Philip ran to catch up to the chariot. As he came nearer he saw that the man was reading. He could even hear some of the words. They were from the Bible.

"Understandest thou what thou readest!" he called.

"How can I unless some one explains it to me?" the prince answered. Then he asked Philip to get into the chariot and talk to him.

· Philip did get in, and he told the prince about Jesus.

As they rode along they came to a stream. "See, here

is water," said the prince. "Why can I not be baptized?"

"If thou believest in Jesus with all thine heart, thou may-

est." Philip told him.

"I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God," he answered. Then he and Philip both climbed out of the chariot, and Philip led him down to the water and baptized him.

Jesus himself was baptized. As he came up out of the

water, the heavens opened, and God's spirit came down and rested upon him like a dove. And God's voice spoke saying, "Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."



Perhaps you have seen father and mother take baby to church to be baptized. This meant that father and mother hoped that some day baby would give his heart to Jesus and work for Jesus.

THAT IS WHAT JESUS WANTS YOU TO DO.

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

—Mark 1:11.

"For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ."

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

Matthew 26:26-30; I Corinthians 11:20-31

Jesus and his disciples climbed the outside stairs of a house in Jerusalem. They entered the upper room.

Everything was ready for the passover feast. The passover was a thanksgiving supper which the Jews always kept each year. God had commanded that this should be done, to help his people to remember his goodness to them. So that night Jesus and his disciples gathered about the table to do as God wished.

"Blessed be the name of the Lord," they sang, for it was always part of this thanksgiving feast to sing a hymn of praise



to God. Then they ate and drank together.

But this time the meal was to be more than the passover they always ate each year. It was to be JESUS' LAST

SUPPER before he was taken away to die upon the cross. It was to be his good-by feast with his disciples.

So when they had finished eating, Jesus again took some of the bread. He broke it and blessed it and handed it to them saying: "This is my body broken for you. Take, eat, in remembrance of me."

And in the same way he took the cup and passed it to

them, saying: "This is my blood that is shed for you. This do in remembrance of me."

And the disciples ate and drank.

Jesus did not mean that the bread really became like his body, or the wine like his blood. He meant that he wanted those who believed in him to do something that would help

that would show to everyone that they were his followers.

And ever since that time those who love Jesus and want to obey him come together in church at certain times each year. They eat and drink as Jesus bade them. And they are very quiet while they do it. They pray and think how Jesus wants them to live.

"My God, and is thy table spread? And does thy cup with love o'erflow?

Thither be all thy children led, And let them all its sweetness know."



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come."

"This do in remembrance of me." -Luke 22:19.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Acts 2:42, 46, 47; Philippians 4:10-20

"Tell Paul we're thinking of him. Get the jailer to buy him some good food with the money. Good-by, Epaphroditus!"

I suppose those were some of the messages which the good people of Philippi sent to Paul. Paul was Jesus' greatest missionary. The people of Philippi had not known about



Jesus until Paul had traveled many miles to tell them. He had climbed steep and lonely mountains where he was in danger from wild beasts and robbers. He had crossed swift-flowing rivers where he was nearly drowned. He had sailed many miles over the sea — and all to come to Philippi and tell the people there about Jesus.

But now Paul was in trouble. He was in prison in far-away Rome. The Roman people had put him

there because they were angry at him for telling about Jesus.

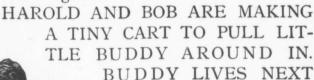
The Philippians had heard about Paul, and they were angry and sad and worried. Would Paul fall sick? Would he have enough to eat? Would he have money to buy books?

The people of Philippi could not answer all those questions. Paul was far away. One thing they could do. They

could give their money and send it to Paul to buy books and food. That would show they were thinking of him, that they were grateful for what he had done for them. And that is just what they did do, and then Epaphroditus was chosen to carry it.

He made the long journey and reached Rome safely. He gave Paul the money and gifts. And Paul was very happy. He was happy over the gifts, but he was happier still because the gifts showed that the Philippians loved

him. He saw that they had learned the lessons he had taught them.



DOOR, AND HE IS JUST
HOME FROM THE

HOSPITAL. HAR-OLD AND BOB ARE ALWAYS READY TO HELP, AS THEY ARE TAUGHT IN SUNDAY SCHOOL TO DO.

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another."

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another."

—John 13:34.

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

Matthew 6:5, 6; John 4:1-10, 19-24; Hebrews 10:19-25; Revelation 7:9-12

Long, long ago in the beginning of things God's people worshiped him and prayed to him out under the green trees.

But by and by God commanded them to build a Temple in Jerusalem. So great logs of cedar wood were cut. Huge blocks of the finest pink and white marble were made ready.

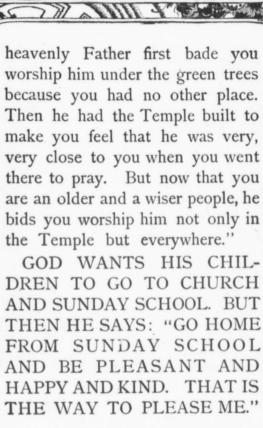
Then the carpenters and the masons set to work, and how busy they were. The walls slowly began to rise. They shimmered and sparkled in the sunlight.

By and by the Temple was finished. And God made it one of his rules that the people must worship in his Temple at certain times each year.

Years after that Jesus came to earth. One day he sat down by a well close to the road. As he waited there, resting, a woman stopped to draw water.

Now this woman happened to be a Samaritan. The Samaritans were people who had not kept God's rule about worshiping in the Temple. The woman had often wondered about this and now she asked Jesus himself, "Is it right to worship in the Temple in Jerusalem or out here?"

Jesus answered in words something like these: "The



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

-John 4:24.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

Psalm 92:1.

WINNING OTHERS TO CHRIST

Acts 16:9-15; James 5:19, 20

"Come over and help us! Come over and help us!" A man stood on the rocks by the sea and called to Paul.

Paul heard, and he started up in the darkness. Then suddenly he awoke. It was a vision.

But this vision was different from most dreams. God had sent it. And even now that Paul was awake, it seemed to him that he could almost see the man of Mace-

donia standing and calling: "Come over and help us! Come over and help us!"

Paul obeyed God's voice. In the morning he and his friends, Silas, Doctor Luke, and Timothy, hurried down to the shore. They went aboard a big boat and were soon moving slowly out to sea.

They sailed and sailed and sailed. At last, however, they began to draw near land once more. Houses appeared on the shore. Men and women could be seen walking about. It was a place called New Town.

The ship glided closer and closer. Sailors began to shout to the people on land. Ropes were flung out and the boat made fast. Paul had reached Macedonia.

And Paul began right away as soon as he could to help the people of Macedonia. He knew what the help was that they needed. They needed to know about Jesus. Paul told

them. He went down by the riverside and talked to the little company gathered there.

A woman named Lydia, who was a seller of fine purple dyes and linens, heard Paul speak. She listened and believed what he said, and one day Paul baptized her in Jesus' name.

After that many people in Macedonia gave their hearts to Christ. And it was all because of Paul.

ETTA HAS A NEW LITTLE NEIGHBOR, TILLIE. ETTA IS GOING TO ASK HER TO COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL. DON'T YOU THINK THAT IS A TINY BIT LIKE WHAT PAUL DID?

TO TILLIE

"WE GIVE YOU LOVING WELCOME, TO THIS DEAR SCHOOL TO-DAY, AND HOPE THAT WE SHALL SEE YOU ON EVERY SABBATH DAY."

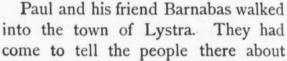
A VERSE TO LEARN

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



CHRISTIAN MISSIONS

Acts 1:8; chs. 13, 14



Jesus. A crowd soon gathered, and Paul began to speak. While he was talking he noticed a cripple sitting near. The man was listening eagerly.

Paul looked down at him. Then he said in a loud voice, "Stand upon thy feet."

In an instant the lame man got up and started to walk. Christ had healed him through

Paul, his missionary. The people in the crowd of course saw the wonderful cure. But they did not understand that it was really Jesus who had healed the man. They thought that Paul and Barnabas had done it themselves. They praised them and called them gods.

Paul and Barnabas were filled with horror when they understood what the people were saying. "Stop! You must not say such things!" they cried. "It is wicked. We are men like yourselves. You must worship God only and his Son Jesus!"

The people obeyed, but they were disappointed and angry.

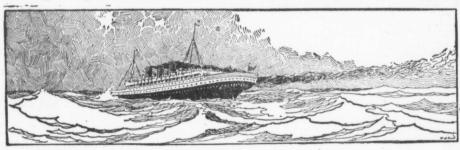
Not long after this, some enemies of Paul came to the town. They were angry at him because he had been teach-

ing about Christ. A mob soon gathered. They shouted and threatened. At last in their wild anger they even began to stone Paul. They stoned him until he fell senseless in the street. Then they left him for dead.

But Paul was not dead. In some wonderful way God healed his hurts, and the next day he went on with his journey.

Paul had suffered for Christ's sake, but he was glad, for some of the people in that town had learned to love Jesus.

Mr. Dana could tell you a story very much like Paul's. When the boat in which he was sailing came into New York the other day, he told how he had been thrown into prison by the wicked Turks. Sometimes he had had nothing at all to eat—often only a crust of black bread. Once he and his wife and little child almost froze to death locked up in a cattle car. And the Turks did it all because he was trying to help the poor Armenians who lived in that far-away country.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

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

—Mark 16: 15.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations."

-Matt. 28:19.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Luke 10:25-37; Galatians 6:2, 9, 10; James 2:14-16



Once upon a time a certain man went on a journey. His way led along a lonely road with steep rocks on both sides.

All went well for a time. Then, without a moment's warning, thieves sprang out from behind the rocks. They set upon the man and beat him cruelly. Then they left him for dead.

By and by along came a second traveler. He saw the wounded man lying by the roadside, but he did not stop. He was too busy to help. He did not want to bother.

Presently a third traveler came in sight. He also saw the first traveler lying wounded and alone just as the

thieves had left him, and he stopped. But it was only for a moment, and just to stare. Then he, too, hurried on.

And now the fourth traveler came riding along. He was from a country called Samaria, and so was known as a Samaritan.

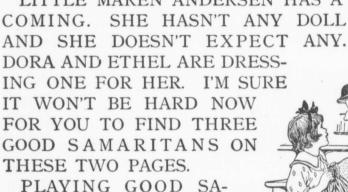
As soon as the Samaritan saw the first poor traveler lying there groaning, he hurried to him. He bent down and spoke to him. "What had happened? Where was he hurt? Was it thieves?" In a moment more he had pulled out a flask of healing medicine, and was bathing the smarting wounds.

When the man was able to move, the Samaritan helped

him up on the donkey. He himself walked. By and by they came to an inn. There the Samaritan ordered a comfortable room. He put the poor, wounded traveler to bed and nursed him faithfully all night long.

In the morning the good Samaritan had to leave. But before he went, he gave the landlord two pieces of money. "These are to pay for the sick traveler," he said. "Take care of him. If it costs you more, I will repay you."

LITTLE MAREN ANDERSEN HAS A BIRTHDAY



PLAYING GOOD SA-MARITAN IS REALLY FUN, YOU KNOW. DON'T DORA AND ETHEL LOOK HAPPY? WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT YOURSELF?



TWO VERSES TO LEARN.

"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men."

—Galatians 6:10.

"He that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he."

-Proverbs 14:21.

TEMPERANCE

Daniel 1:8-20; Romans 14:21; I Corinthians 9:24-27



The great brass doors swung slowly open. Daniel marched in. He was a prisoner in the mighty city of Babylon.

He was not to be treated like a real prisoner. He and some of the other boys were to be trained to be the king's helpers. They should even be given the same food and wines as were served on the king's own table.

And there came the trouble. Daniel's father and mother had taught him that it was not right nor healthful for boys to eat and drink such things. But what should he do? Would he dare say "No" to the king's orders?

Daniel was brave and it did not take him long to decide. He went to the king's servant and said: "I pray thee try me and three of my friends for ten days. Let us have simple food and water instead of wine. See if we are not as strong as the other boys who drink the king's wine."

At last the king's servant con-

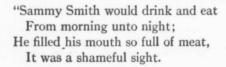
sented to try the plan. And behold, when, ten days later,

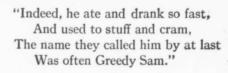
the king's servant came once more to look at all the boys, Daniel and his three friends were healthier and stronger than those who had drunk the wine.

God saw how Daniel and his friends had tried to do right, and now he helped

them in their work. How quickly and easily they learned their lessons! You see their heads were not dull and sleepy with the rich food and wines.

And because they did so well, the king by and by chose them to be his trusted officers.





This time Sammy has an apple. It looks very small and green. I hope he won't be sick.

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things."

—I Corinthians 9:25.

"But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank."

—Daniel 1:8.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Matthew 6:10; 13:31-33, 44-50; 18:2, 3; Luke 17:20, 21; II Corinthians 10:3-5



Do you like picnics? Do you like the sandwiches mother puts up? Do you like the yellow mustard she spreads between them? Perhaps mother has a cunning little wooden spoon with which to dip it out.

But do you know what that mustard really came from? Did you ever see a mustard seed?

It is exactly as big as this o. And of course it takes millions and millions of seeds to fill the bottles we see at the grocer's. First the seeds are poured into a big grinding machine. Round go

the wheels and then out comes the mustard like a fine powder. It is ready to be mixed and bottled.

Just how does this mustard grow? Here is a story that tells:

Once upon a time a little mustard seed fell on the ground. I do not know why it was all alone, with no little brother and sister seeds. But so it was.

It must have been a good little seed and the ground must have been good, too, for by and by it poked up its green leaves and started to grow. It became a tiny seedling.

The summer days passed. Warm rains fell. The sun shone, and the mustard plant grew faster than ever. One

day at the close of the summer a traveler came riding through that part of the country. It chanced that as his horse trotted along, it brushed against a bush. Then what a chatter and whirring of wings there was! For up rose a whole flock of gay little finches. They had been perching there.

And what do you think that bush was? Why, the mustard. It had grown big enough and strong enough to shelter a

whole flock of birds. That was growing, wasn't it?

WOULDN'T IT BE SPLENDID IF WE COULD GROW SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN THE SAME WAY? WOULDN'T IT BE FINE IF WE COULD GROW THEM UNTIL ALL THE LITTLE BOYS AND GIRLS IN OUR BIG WORLD WERE MARCHING TO THE SAME TUNE, "ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS"?

YOUR PENNIES AND NICKELS AND DIMES WILL HELP TO START THOSE SUNDAY SCHOOLS. BRING THEM WITH YOU. THEN, AND LET US DO OUR PART IN HELPING ON THIS WORK.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness." -Matthew 6: 33.

"Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done."

THE FUTURE LIFE

Matthew 25:31-46; John 14:2, 3; II Corinthians 5:10; I Peter 1:3-5



"I like the American soldiers. They have come to help my country." That is what André Claudel says.

André is a little French boy. His father was killed in battle and his mother died more than a year ago. Now some of the soldiers in France have adopted him. He is their little boy, and they see that he has clothes to wear and enough to eat. They send him to a school where other little French boys go.

THOSE SOLDIERS ARE KEEPING THE "INASMUCH RULE." WE ARE COMING TO THAT IN A MINUTE. BUT

FIRST HERE IS THE STORY ABOUT SIR LAUNFAL.

Sir Launfal had been on a long journey, so long that his clothes had become old and threadbare on the way. He had a crust of bread left in his pocket, and that was all.

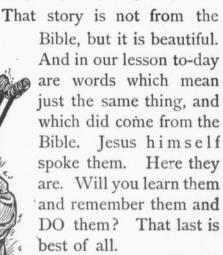
And then he came upon a man who was even poorer and hungrier than he was. The man begged for some of the bread.

It was snowing and cold. Sir Launfal knelt down by the brook and broke the ice. He dipped his wooden bowl into the water. He broke his crust of brown bread and gave half of it to the man.

And suddenly, out there in the cold and snow, "a light

shone round about the place," and "shining and tall and fair and straight" stood Jesus himself. It was he who had begged

the crust of bread. It was Jesus whom Sir Launfal had helped



"INASMUCH AS YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ONE OF THE

LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ME."

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ."

—II Corinthians 5:10.

"In my Father's house are many mansions: . . . I go to prepare a place for you."

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Psalm 19:7-14; 119:9-16, 97, 165; Acts 17:10-12; II Timothy 3:14-17; Hebrews 1:1, 2

Timothy is learning his lessons. His books are not like the books you have in school. If you look at the picture you will find that they are long scrolls of paper.

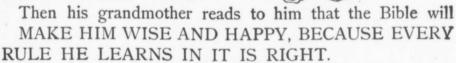
Those scrolls were very precious. First they were precious

then, too, they were so hard to buy. To-day it takes only a short time for the big presses in the printing houses to make a Bible, but in those days every single word had to be written by hand, and that took a very long time. Timothy's book cost a great deal of money.

because they were the Bible. And

His mother and grandmother are teaching him. First his mother tells him that

THE BIBLE IS ALL TRUE—EVERY WORD.



THE BIBLE WILL

WARN HIM HOW TO KEEP OUT OF TROUBLE AND AWAY FROM WRONGDOING.

HELP HIM TO HAVE THE RIGHT KIND OF THOUGHTS.

HELP HIM TO SPEAK AND ACT THE TRUTH. MAKE HIM KIND AND LOVING.

HELP HIM TO FIGHT DOWN HIS FAULTS, THE WRONG THINGS HE SOMETIMES LIKES TO DO.

It is good to know that Timothy studied the Bible and let it teach him all those things. He grew up to be a good and great and helpful man.

AND WHAT THE BIBLE DID FOR TIMOTHY IT WILL DO FOR YOU. DO YOU WANT TO BE GREAT AND WISE AND GOOD, WITH MANY PEOPLE TO LIKE YOU? THEN

STUDY THE BIBLE

Suppose you start with this verse. It is straight from the Bible.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

—Psalm 119:105.

ANOTHER VERSE TO LEARN

"The law of the Lord is perfect." —Psalm 19:7.



A POEM TO READ

"Holy Bible, Book divine,
Precious treasure, thou art mine:
Mine to tell me whence I came,
Mine to teach me what I am."

REVIEW: JESUS OUR SAVIOUR AND KING

Selection for Reading: Matthew 21: 1-9, 15, 16



"Go to the next village. There ye will find an ass and a colt. Untie them and bring them here. And if any man say unto you, 'Why do ye this?' say ye that the Lord hath need of them."

Jesus said those words to two of his disciples as they were journeying with the crowds toward Jerusalem. They were all going to God's Temple, to keep the feast of the passover.

The two disciples went to the village, found the ass and the colt, and started to lead them away. "What are you doing?" the people called out. But when the disciples answered, "The Lord hath need of them," they said no more.

Then the two disciples brought the animals to Jesus. Jesus mounted, and they started on again toward Jerusalem.

Now most of the people in that great throng knew of the wonderful work Jesus had done. And suddenly as they watched him riding along, it came to them that here was the Saviour whom they had been expecting for so many years.

And now that they knew their King they must make ready for him. Quickly tearing down branches from the olive trees they strewed them in his path. They even took off their long cloaks and spread them as a carpet over which he might ride. Then they raised a mighty shout: "Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the King!" And in the Temple, the children took it up: "Hosanna! Hosanna to the King!"

JESUS LOVES THE CHILDREN. "LET THE CHILDREN COME UNTO ME," HE SAID. HE WANTS YOU TO LOVE AND OBEY HIM.

"Hosanna we sing, like the children dear, In the olden days when the Lord lived here; He blessed little children, and smiled on them, While they chanted his praise in Jerusalem."



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Suffer the little children to come unto me."

-Mark 10:14.

"Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest."

—Matthew 21:0.



"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise."

That is one of the verses which you have learned. Here is another verse about going to church.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

Wouldn't you like to color the picture at the top of the page, and then cut out the card to give to some little neighbor who does not go to any Sunday school? Make the little girl's dress pink, her, hat and sash green, the little boy's smock blue, his hat yellow.

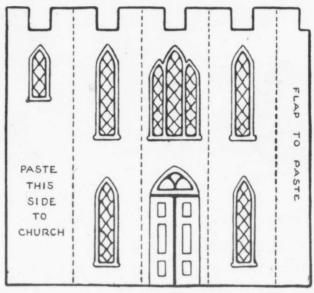
HANDWORK



Long, long ago God told his people to build a temple. They obeyed him. First they sent to a far-off country ruled by King Hiram. In King Hiram's land were some wonderful forests of cedar. God's people bought a great many of these trees. Then the logs were hauled from the mountains to the great sea, tied into rafts, and floated down to a big city called Joppa. From Joppa they were again hauled over the hills to Jerusalem. There carpenters took them, and with the help of the masons and their shining blocks of marble, made them into God's first Temple.

Ever since that time God's people have come together in his temples to worship and pray to him—only to-day we call our temples churches. Do you go to God's temple, our church, each Sunday? That is what God and Jesus want you to do.

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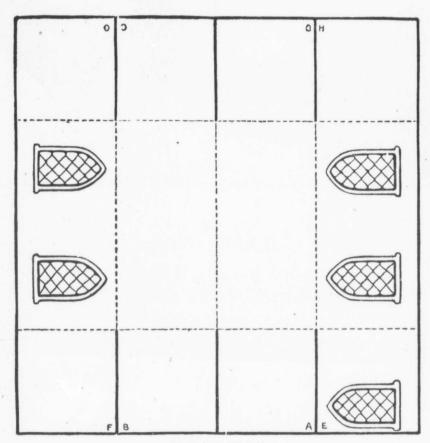


THE TOWER

And now cut out and make the model of the church given right here. First go to the next page. Take your orange crayon and carefully color the church windows. Then slowly cut out the square. Lay it on the table. Neatly fold on the dotted lines. Cut on the heavy black lines. Fold and paste A on B; C on D; then E on F; G on H.

To make the tower: First color the windows orange, the doors brown. Then cut out the whole tower. Cut the turrets carefully. Lay on the table and fold on the dotted lines. Using the flap and paste, form into tower. Paste on the end of church which has no window.

HANDWORK



THE CHURCH

A VERSE TO COPY ABOUT THE CHURCH

"Ding, dong, ding, dong!
Church bells a message are ringing!
Calling me and all, from the steeple tall,
Up in the church tower they're swinging,
Ding, dong, ding, dong!"



LADY WIND

At night, when my Lady Wind comes by, She says, "Oh, sing for me, trees!" And they sing "Oo-oo! Ooo-ooo!" When she fans with her lullaby breeze.

"Oo-oo-oo! Oo-oo-oo!"

Then she rocks the birds in their nests,

While the little leaves join in the cradle song

From the trunks to the tall tree crests.

"Oo-oo-oo! Oo-oo-oo!"

And the stars look down to see

The sleeping birds in their rocking nests,

Lady Wind, and a singing tree.

—Wilhelmina Seegmiller.

SOME BIBLE VERSES TO LEARN THIS SUMMER

"O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!"

—Psalm 8: 1.

"Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it." —Psalm 65:9.

"Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof."

—Psalm 65: 10.

"The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn."

—Psalm 65: 13.

"With my song will I praise him."

-Psalm 28:7.

"For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come."

—Song of Solomon 2:11, 12.

God does all this for us, his children, and he asks our love and obedience in return. That is our part. Don't forget.

