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SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FOURTH QUARTER.

LESSON 3.] PAUL BEFORE THE ROMAN GOVERNOR. [Oct. 17.]
Acts 24, 10-25.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Fear thou not: for I am with thee.—Isa. 41. 10.

MEMORY VERSES, 14-16. (Read chaps. 23. 10 to 24. 27.)—But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men.

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

LESSON STORY.

Paul was brought before the Jewish council, but the judges fell to quarrelling among themselves, and Paul was taken back to prison. That night the Lord appeared to Paul and told him that he should be his witness at Rome. So Paul knew that the Jews could not kill him this time. These wicked men formed a plot, and tried to kill Paul. But he had been sent to Cæsarea for safety. In this city Felix, the Roman governor lived. Five days after Paul left Jerusalem, the high priest and the elders of the Sanhedrin, or court of the Jews, came to accuse him. They said that he was stirring up strife among the people, and that he profaned the temple. But Felix was kind to Paul and kept him in Cæsarea. One day he and his wife, Drusilla, sent for Paul to speak to them of Jesus, and Felix trembled as he listened. But he would not repent then; he put it off till another time.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Before whom did Paul appear?

Before the Sanhedrin, or chief court of the Jews

2. What did God tell Paul?

That he was to witness for him in Rome.

3. Where was Paul taken for safety?

To Casarea.
4. Who lived there?

Felix, the Roman governor.

- 5. Who trembled at Paul's words? Felix and Drusilla.
- 6. What mistake did Felix make?

 He put off repenting.

DREAMING.

Little Mabel Myrtle is a very quiet, thoughtful little girl. She likes to sit looking up into the blue sky, wondering where God and the holy angels live. Her dear little baby brother had passed away from its happy home; and Mabel sometimes thought that the soft white fleecy clouds in the sky were the angels taking the baby's soul to heaven. A great painter has made just such a picture of the blessed angels of God carrying the soul of a martyr, that is one who died as a witness for Jesus, through the deep blue sky. This famous picture you may see when you grow older. But though Mabel cannot pierce the blue depths of the sky with her gaze, yet we know that

Around the throne of God in heaven Thousands of children stand, Children whose sins are all forgiven, A holy, happy band.

THE SAUCY DOG.

Sport is a very saucy little dog. But he is also very playful and good-natured. Perhaps he does not mean to be saucy. I think he makes free with people and sometimes knocks little ones down chiefly because he is young himself, for he is only a pup.

Whenever a stranger comes into the yard he jumps around and barks at a great rate, acting very much alarmed as if they were burglars. But when he grows older he will learn better than to bark at everybody. When he finds the strangers are kindly received by his mistress he stops barking, and in his funny little way goes up to them, wagging his tail and seeming to say, "Well! who are you any way?"

He is such an awkward puppy, he does always not look where he is going and so sometimes runs full tilt against little Mary and knocks her down. She has found a little switch, with which she says she is going to teach Sport better manners. But poor little doggie is so innocent, he does not suppose for a moment the switch is to be used on him.



THE SAUCY DOG .- (See third page.)

"When I'm a man," said lazy Jim, "I shan't work; I'll just ask the Lord to give me 'my daily bread,' as Jesus says in our Sabbath school lesson.

"Then you'll starve," said his mother, "for God gives us our daily bread through the means he has appointed, and we must work as well as play."

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