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Mothers and teachers, and perhaps the little ones, too, will notice that in some of the lessons this year, as, for example, in Lessons 3 and 7 of the present Quarter, the whole Scripture passage is not given, although the Lesson Retold includes it all. The reason of this is that very long lesson passages, when printed in full, leave too little room for the rest of the material that it is desirable to give, and the International Committee, which selects the lessons, has therefore suggested that, when the verses exceed a dozen, only that number should be printed.

Can You Spin a Top?

"A strange question," you will say, "to ask so dignified a body of people as teachers." Well, possibly. But *can* you? I imagine that the greater part of you will answer in the negative.

Then I beg of you to try it. Why? Because it may be helpful to you in your work. You wonder in what way! I will tell you what happened to-day in my school-room.

When the children passed out for recess, Willie, the last boy in the line, held in his hand a top. He has been greatly interested in tops lately, even more than in numbers or spelling. As he passed me at the door I spoke about his new top, and then said, "Let me see if *I* can spin it." So I tried, while Willie and one or two other boys stood and watched proceedings. Now, spinning tops is easy work for seven-year-old Willie, but I tried and tried, and I couldn't do it. I returned it to the owner, saying, "It takes a *boy* to spin a top," and Willie set it to spin-

ning with the air of one conscious of his ability to do a thing well.

As for me, I returned to my work thinking, "Now here is Willie who finds reading so hard, and I have wondered *why* he couldn't read. It sometimes seemed as if he didn't half try. But he *can* spin a top."

But my thoughts didn't stop here. I said to myself, "Now that you see how hard it is to make a top spin, perhaps you can better understand how hard it is for the boy to learn to read. *Maybe* you could learn, in time, to spin a top, and *probably* Willie will learn, in time, to read. Be more patient with him."

Recess was over, and I had to think of other things. But I believe the episode was helpful to me. Can *you* get anything from it?

Do you sometimes wonder how children *can* be so stupid? Of course you do; we *all* do. Then just try something that isn't quite in your line—spinning tops or anything else—and perhaps you will be better able to appreciate the difficulties of these learners.—Primary Education.

A Mother's Reward

It is so long since our dear lamented Queen was a little girl, that people have almost forgotten how much she owed for the beauty and strength of her character to her mother.

The Duchess of Kent, for that was her title, was left a widow and poor, almost her one possession being the fondly loved Princess Victoria, who seemed likely one day to be Queen of England. Upon this little girl, not only was all a mother's love lavished, but that mother trained her from

tenderest years for the lofty position which was to be hers by and by; especially did she inculcate in the child's mind obedience to God, love of duty, and thoughtfulness for others.

She was, indeed, a devoted mother. The education of the little princess was her one care. She turned her back upon everything else, that this might be well done, for she felt profoundly the importance of the issues at stake.

And what a splendid reward she had! Not in her later years only, but always, even from the day when the crown fell to her and she requested the Archbishop of Canterbury to pray for her, Queen Victoria found her strength and wisdom in God, and God made her great, and wise, and good.

God seems to watch with a special care over the seed which the mother's hand sows in the heart of the child. If other sowings shall fail of a harvest, this will not fail. And, let it be further said, if, through carelessness or pre-occupation, or through having no mind to such things, the mother neglects that seed-sowing, no other can do it, and the child's loss thereby is irreparable.

He Leadeth Me

The Shepherd, He
Who leadeth me,
No good I lack thro' life's long day;
With Him I bide,
In Him confide,
He leadeth me, I fear to stray.

He leadeth me,
It may not be
In pastures green I always dwell;
But still I say,
Though rough the way,
He leadeth me, and all is well.

He leadeth me
O'er stormy sea,
Sometimes I walk by waters still.
He is my guide,
Whate'er betide,
He leadeth me—I fear no ill,

He leadeth me—
I cannot see
One step before, the way is hid.
The future dim,
I trust with Him,
He leadeth me, and I am glad.

The Religious Upbringing of the Child

By Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts

It has been said that "Man as a child resembles the flower on the plant, the blossom on the tree." The manner in which this human bud unfolds should engage the most careful study of parents and teachers in order to follow wise lines in child training, particularly in religious culture.

In general, all of the petals of a bud open simultaneously, but this is not the way with the human buds. There is, however, one bud in nature which is its counterpart, it is the bud of the human plant. Without counting its petals, one might say there are from one hundred and twenty-five to one hundred and seventy-five in number. One after another, these petals successively open, so that one may see on one end of the flower-stalk half-grown bananas, and on the other end the still unfolding bud. A later development is a stem of bananas in different stages of growth and ripeness.

So do the human faculties develop successively. Unkind, unjust, unwise demands are made upon children by unthinking parents and teachers, who do not stop to consider whether or not the children have those faculties developed which would make it possible for them to do what they expect.

To fully set forth the order of development and outline a series of suitable processes would not be possible in the short space allotted to this article, but it may be said in a general way that the mouth is the centre of development, taste being the first faculty to unfold; secondly, sensation, or touch; then seeing, hearing, follow in quick succession.

Can the mother at this stage do anything for the soul culture of her child? Ay, even before this,

The lullaby or cradle song is met with in every nation. All kinds of mothers sing many kinds of lullabies, and why? Because the rhythmic instinct might be called almost the first awakening of the intellectual life. Mothers who would train their little ones for God, should sing as cradle songs the most melodious and tender of so-called "church music." From infancy, and through earliest years, children should hear great anthems and oratorios, great bursts of impassioned harmony, which, without explanation, will make impressions upon them.

In this light, the songs selected for the Primary Class in the Sunday School should be chosen and taught with wise judgment. Classical selections from such productions as the Messiah or Elijah played in the hearing of the children, will have noble effect. In a Sunday School class one day, when a lesson had been given in Elijah, the teacher sat down at the piano, saying that she was going to show them how this story was told in music, and perhaps they could tell by raising their hands when she came to the part about Elijah being taken up to heaven. Just at the right place, a whole forest of little hands went up.

But to return to first principles, to teach a child to pray is usually the first step taken in the religious culture of the child. Now, reverence is a vital part of prayer, and it can perhaps best be taught to the very little child without a form of words. Let the first act of prayer be to kneel with the mother, and with folded hands and bowed head to repeat God's name, and the child's own name. When words become a necessity to express ideas which the child thus gains of his relationship toward God, a form of prayer may be taught, but not to exclude the child's own prayer. He should early be taught that he can talk with God as with his earthly parents. He would not be satisfied to address them always in some set and the same expression.

As to forms of words, such as the time-honored, "Now I lay me down to sleep," and the Lord's Prayer, two of the first prayers usually taught to children, it is

well to keep in mind the familiar couplet,

"To say my prayers is not to pray,
Unless I mean the words I say."

The form of words must not be taught too early, and care should be taken that the child understands what he is taught to say, for even little children should pray with the understanding as well as with the heart.

Next, in the religious development of the child, we come to how he shall be taught what is in the Bible, and how he shall become a member of the Sunday School.

Amongst the first texts of Scripture which a child should commit to memory should be those associated with nature. "Nature lessons" so called, without God in them, are a hindrance to religious development, and tend toward a confusion of ideas, as for example, one little child said to another, "I know lots of folks in heaven, God and Jesus and Mother Nature."

As to the little child taking his place in the Sunday School, if his mother can be induced to become a member of the Home Department he might be made a "cradle roll" member. He might even be put on the "cradle roll" with the expectation of gaining his mother, or indeed both parents, as members of the Home Department. But let this end be persistently sought by the teacher, to guard against the responsibility of the religious training of the child being placed upon the Sunday School rather than upon the home, where God has placed it. The home is the child's first and best school.

When the child really becomes a little learner in the Sunday School, the teacher must "move on softly," according to the law of development which God has put into the child, adapting the instruction given to his several stages, as the rhythmic, the imaginative, the emotional, using songs, stories, pictures, without really expecting him to memorize very much until he has reached that period when he expresses himself in words rather than in action.

The child is in need of ideals upon which to build his character, as the vine needs a trellis upon which to fasten itself and climb.

The Bible is full of just the kind of character sketches that he needs as ideals, and from these he can be taught the practical virtues which he, from his childish plane, can understand and exercise, as obedience, kindness, service, etc. He can even be taught to build his life after the fashion of Christ,

"Who came to us to show
The way to His pure, sweet life above
From our sinful life below."

Washington, D.C.

How to Make Children Kind

Teach them to give early in life by self-sacrifice. When I was a young girl I lived at the home of my uncle, a well-known Midland employer. To encourage generosity in the heart of his eldest child, Alice—though in fact she did not need encouragement in this direction—he and my aunt allowed her to give, every Christmas, to each of the one or two hundred children in the orphan asylum, and sometimes to other public institutions, a frosted cake, an orange, and a book. In order to do this she was obliged to go without something which she liked: for instance, sweets, of which she was fond, or to deny herself in some other way. This she did gladly, and I have no doubt that her life of great self-sacrifice, in missionary work in London and elsewhere, is in part due to the wise training of this Christian home.

There was no necessity for self-denial, for my uncle was a man of means; but it taught the girl a lesson which she never forgot. If giving costs nothing to a child, he or she does not realize the meaning of it.

Encourage their giving away some of their playthings or the books they have read. Our homes become full enough without hoarding. I often wonder what our Lord would say if He looked into some of our attics. He would find furniture packed away for years which might have made some poor family comfortable; or cloaks kept by Christian women for twenty years, thinking they might some time use their fur.

Teach children to be kind by example. Some years ago my husband and I were

going to a conference in the north. At a station where we changed trains, I noticed an apparently half-famished grey cat, and asked one of the waiters if they fed her. He said they were not allowed to do so for fear she would remain there. I bought some food and gave it to her. Soon after I saw a boy of perhaps eight years, handsomely dressed, go up to the cat and kick her. I spoke to him kindly, but firmly, and asked him why he did it. His reply was: "Father does it, and he says he'll kill her, and I shall do it, too." I saw the family afterwards at dinner—a young man and his wife, both stylish; and their ungoverned child sat beside them. It is not difficult to predict the future of that boy, and the father will be largely responsible.—The Family Friend.

Prayer Hymn

Father we thank thee for the night,
And for the pleasant morning light,
For rest, and food and loving care,
And all that makes the world so fair.

Help us to do the things we should,
To be to others kind and good,
In all we do in work or play,
To grow more loving every day.

The Pennies

Such a gathering of pennies it would be if all the money the little ones have given to the Century Fund were put into one pile. At the end of this month of April the fund will close. Has any boy or girl forgotten to save or to send in what has been saved? Do not put it off too long. Before the million dollars and more are gathered up, let your little coins be among them. They will travel, some of them, very far, for besides what is given by congregations to pay church and manse debts, every great fund of the Church will be helped—the missions at home and the missions abroad, the colleges, and the aged ministers who have worn themselves out in the work, as well as the widows and little children of ministers who have died.

The Risen Saviour

"Christ the Lord is risen to-day,
Sons of men and angels say."

More joyous words this poor, sin-stricken world has never heard. They carry with them the proof that Jesus is indeed the Son of God with power, and hence truly our Lord and Saviour. Heaven was glad when He rose, and the angels came, as at His birth, to announce the good news. The hearts of the apostles and of the women rejoiced, when at length their slow understandings had taken in the glorious fact that their beloved Master had indeed triumphed over death. And the key-note of the song of the Christian Church in all the centuries has been a note of triumph, because it is a living, reigning Christ, and not a dead Christ, in whom she hopes and in whose strength she labors.

It is of this RISEN CHRIST that the lessons of the Quarter tell, of His appearances to His followers, His ascension into heaven, His intercession and rule there, and the glories of His kingdom here and hereafter. The events and passages follow. They contain many enchanting pieces for the very little children.

1. Jesus rises from the dead. Luke 24 : 1-12.
2. Jesus appears to Mary. John 20 : 11-18.
3. Jesus walks with two disciples. Luke 24 : 13-35.
4. Jesus meets with the apostles. John 20 : 19-29.
5. Jesus reinstates Peter. John 21 : 15-22.
6. Jesus sends forth His messengers. Matt. 28 : 16-20.
7. Jesus ascends into heaven. Luke 24 : 44-53 ; Acts 1 : 1-11.
8. Jesus sends down the Holy Spirit. Acts 2 : 1-11.
9. Jesus stands as our great High Priest. Heb. 9 : 11-14 ; 24-28.
10. Jesus appears to Paul. Acts 22 : 6-16.
11. Jesus makes revelations to John. Rev. 1 : 9-20.
12. Jesus' kingdom of glory. Rev. 21 : 1-7 and 22-27.
13. Jesus, the ever-living Redeemer. REVIEW.

AN ORDER OF SERVICE

For Primary Classes or a Home Lesson

Second Quarter, 1901

I. TEACHER. What is our Sabbath Text?

CLASS. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

ALL. This is the day which the Lord hath made ; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

II. OPENING HYMN.

III. PRAYER.

IV. COLLECTION.

V. SINGING.

VI. BIRTHDAY OFFERING AND PRAYER.

VII. PRAYER HYMN.

VIII. LESSON.

IX. PRAYER FOR SPECIAL BLESSING ON THIS LESSON.

X. LESSON HYMN FOR QUARTER, 550 BOOK OF PRAISE—

Rejoice and be glad ! The Redeemer has come ;
Go look on His cradle, His cross and His tomb.

Sound His praises, tell the story of Him who was slain ;

Sound His praises, tell with gladness, He liveth again.

Rejoice and be glad ! For He cometh again !
He cometh in glory, the Lamb that was slain.

Amen.

XI. IN CONCERT—

Dear Saviour, ere we part,
We lift our hearts to Thee,
In gratitude and praise,
For blessings full and free.

Go with us to our homes,
Watch o'er and keep us there ;
And make us one and all

The children of thy care. Amen.

Lesson I.

THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

April 7, 1901

Luke 24 : 1-12—Memory Verses, 4-7

Golden Text—Now is Christ risen from the dead.—1 Cor. 15 : 20.



1 Now upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain *others* with them.

2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Je'sus.

4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments :

5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down *their* faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

6 He is not here, but is risen : remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Gal'ilee,

7 Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

8 And they remembered his words,

9 And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

10 It was Ma'ry Mag'dale'ne, and Joan'na, and Ma'ry the *mother* of James, and other *women* that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

11 And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.

12 Then arose Pe'ter, and ran unto the sepulchre ; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

THE LESSON RELOLD

Before Joseph left Jesus' dead body in the garden, he rolled a heavy stone in front of the grave to keep it safe.

The women who had stood weeping beside the cross, were now watching to see the exact spot where Jesus' body should be laid.

They then hurried home to make sweet perfumes and spices, intending to come again and to wrap them about their dear Master's body.

Very early on Sunday morning Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary, the mother of James, got up while it was still quite dark to carry their sweet gifts to the grave.

As they walked along they said to one another, "What shall we do about the stone? We are none of us strong enough to move it."

But when they got to the garden, they were surprised to find that the stone had been rolled away. They looked into the grave. It was empty. They looked again. Jesus was not there. Then they were in great trouble. While they were talking and wondering, two men in shining white clothes stood beside them. They were angels. The women were so frightened that they covered their faces and fell to the ground.

But the angels spoke kindly to them saying, "Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive? Jesus is not here. He is risen. Do you not remember how He often told His disciples of all that must soon happen, saying that He should be put to death by cruel men; but that on the third day He should rise again?"

Then Joanna and the two Marys remembered and turning quickly ran from the garden to the place where the sorrowing disciples were gathered together, and told them all that they had seen and heard.

The men would not believe that they had seen angels and thought this story of Jesus having risen was nonsense. But while they were still talking Peter got up and left the room, and running to the garden, stooped down and looked into the grave. It was indeed empty. There was only a pile of

linen clothing to show where the body of Jesus had been. Then Peter turned away greatly troubled and perplexed at what had happened.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where was Jesus buried? 2. Who buried Him? 3. What did Mary Magdalene and the other women wish to put in Jesus' grave? 4. When did they set out with their spices? 5. What did they talk about on the way to the grave? 6. What did they see when they got to the place? 7. How did they feel when they could not find Jesus' body? 8. Who comforted them? 9. What did the angels say? 10. Where did the women then go? 11. What did the disciples think of this story? 12. How did Peter find out that Jesus had risen. 13. What is the Golden Text?

The Lord's Day

"Mother," said Katy, "Which is the first day of the week? Will says it's Sunday, but the Bible says, 'The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou . . .'"

"Come here, both of you," said the mother, "while I read you to-day's lesson"; and up they both jumped, one on each arm of the chair, for it was always a treat to have mother read to them.

When she had finished the story of the Resurrection, mother told the children that because Jesus had risen from the dead on that day, His friends everywhere had agreed to call the first day of every week, "The Lord's Day."

"What a beautiful name," said Katy thoughtfully, "I like it better than Sunday."

"Why, it's almost like a birthday, isn't it, mother?" said Will.



I HAVE LEARNED.
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour is stronger than death



Primary Catechism—21. Who were the first man and the first woman? Adam was the first man and Eve was the first woman.

Shorter Catechism—70. Which is the seventh commandment?

A. The seventh commandment is, Thou shalt not commit adultery.

71. What is required in the seventh commandment?

The seventh commandment requireth the preservation of our own and our neighbour's chastity, in heart, speech and behaviour.

Lesson Hymn

Rejoice and be glad! For the Lamb that was slain

O'er death is triumphant, and liveth again.

Sound His praises, tell the story of Him who was slain;

Sound His praises, tell with gladness, He liveth again.

Amen.

—Hymn 550, Book of Praise

Lesson II.

JESUS APPEARS TO MARY

April 14, 1901

John 20 : 11-18—Memory Verses, 16-18

Golden Text—Behold, I am alive for evermore.—Rev. 1 : 18.

11 But Ma'ry stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Je'sus had lain.

13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Je'sus standing, and knew not that it was Je'sus.

15 Je'sus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

16 Je'sus saith unto her, Ma'ry. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabbo'ni; which is to say, Master.

17 Je'sus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

18 Ma'ry Mag'dale'ne came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The first person to see Jesus after He was risen from the dead was Mary Magdalene. It happened in this way:—

Mary was still waiting in the garden after Peter and the others had gone home. She was standing alone beside the empty grave, sobbing bitterly. Presently she stooped down and looked into the grave again. She saw a wonderful and beautiful sight.

At the place where Jesus had been lying, there were now two angels sitting. One was at the head, the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. Their clothes were bright and sparkling like the sun, and the dark grave was filled with heavenly light, very bright and glorious.

"Why are you crying?" the angels asked, when they saw the tears on Mary's face.

"Because," answered Mary, "someone has stolen my Master away, and I cannot find Him."

As soon as she had said this, she turned round and saw a man standing beside her. The man spoke gently to Mary. He said, "What makes you cry? For whom are you looking?"

Mary thought, in the dim light, that it was the gardener on his way to work who was speaking to her. She said, "Oh, sir; it must be you who have carried my Master away. Only tell me where He is, and I will take Him away and take care of Him."

The man then said, "Mary." Mary knew that voice, and answered quickly, "Master." Then turning about, she saw that it was indeed Jesus Himself who had been talking with her.

In her great joy, Mary would have liked to cling to Jesus, and to keep Him with her. But He said:

"Do not hold me. I must not stay here. I have not yet gone up to my Father."

Then Jesus gave Mary a message for His other friends. He said:

"Go and tell my friends that I am going up to Him, who is my Father and their Father, my God and their God."

Then Mary ran quickly with the good news to the disciples, saying, "I have seen the Lord," and she comforted them with

the things that Jesus had spoken to her.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who stayed beside Jesus' grave after Peter and the others were gone? 2. What was Mary doing? 3. Whom did she see when she looked into the grave? 4. What were they like? 5. What did they say to Mary? 6. What did Mary tell them? 7. Who came up behind and spoke to her? 8. Whom did Mary suppose Him to be? 9. What did she say? 10. How did Jesus answer? 11. How did Mary know that it was Jesus? 12. What did Mary want Jesus to do? 13. Where did He tell her He must go? 14. What message did He give her for the disciples? 15. By what name did He call them? 16. What did Mary do? 17. What is the Golden Text?

It Isn't Far to Jesus

It isn't far to Jesus;

If you only knew how near,
You would reach Him in a moment
And banish all your fear.

He is standing close beside you

If only you could see,
And is saying, could you hear Him,
"Let the children come to Me."

For you know He never changes,
As your little friends do here,
He is always kind and ready
Both to comfort and to cheer.

And the very best of all is,
He is ever close at hand,
And will always listen to you
And always understand.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour honors those who love Him



Primary Catechism—22. In what way did God make man to differ from the animals? God gave man a soul, or spirit, that can never die.

Shorter Catechism—72. What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?

A. The seventh commandment forbiddeth all unchaste thoughts, words, and actions.

Lesson Hymn

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb,
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm,
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

Amen.

—Hymn 70, Book of Praise

Lesson III.

THE WALK TO EMMAUS

April 21, 1901

Luke 24 : 13-35—Memory Verses, 25-27

Golden Text—Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way?—Luke 24 : 32.



15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Je'sus himself drew near, and went with them.

16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.

17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

18 And the one of them, whose name was Cle'opas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jeru'salem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?

19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Je'sus of Naz'-areth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people :

20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.

21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Is'rael : and beside all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done.

22 Yea, and certain women al-

so of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre :

23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.

24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said : but him they saw not.

25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken :

26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory ?

27 And beginning at Mo'ses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Later in the afternoon of the day upon which Jesus arose from the dead, two of His disciples were going home along a quiet road from Jerusalem to Emmaus, a little village near by. On the way, they talked sadly about Jesus' shameful death on the cross, and were full of sorrow and loneliness.

Soon a stranger overtook them. He said, "I see you are in great trouble. What has happened to make you so sorrowful?" One of the disciples—his name was Cleopas—

looked at the stranger closely, and said in a surprised voice, "What part of Jerusalem can you have been staying in not to have heard of all that has lately been done there?"

"What has been done?" asked the stranger, and the amazed disciples told him the whole sad story.

"We had thought," said they, "from His wonderful teachings and miracles that this Jesus was the Son of God. But we were mistaken. It is all over now, and He has

been dead for three days. We were much startled, also, by a strange report, set going by some women who were early at His grave, saying that He was alive. But though some of us saw the angels and the empty tomb, we cannot understand what has become of our Master."

Then the stranger began to comfort them, saying, "How foolish you are not to know that it was proper for Christ to have suffered as you have said. It should only make you more certain that He is the Lord." And He began to prove from the old Psalms and prophets that Jesus was indeed the Saviour.

They were now near to their own village. The kind stranger seemed to be going further. "See, it is getting dark," said the disciples, and they begged their new friend to come into their house, where supper was already waiting.

So the three sat down to eat, and their kind guest asked God's blessing upon the food. Then taking up the bread, He began to wait upon them. Suddenly it flashed upon them who this stranger was. He was none other than Jesus Himself. But just as they began to cry out with joy, He was gone.

"We might have known Him," they said,

looking at each other in surprise. "How warm our hearts felt while He talked with us by the way." Then getting up quickly, the two friends hurried back to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples that they had seen the Lord.

Now it happened that while they had been away, Simon Peter had also seen Jesus. How they all rejoiced together and wondered.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What were the two friends talking about as they walked to Emmaus?
2. How were they feeling?
3. Who caught up to them on the road?
4. Did the two friends know the stranger at once?
5. What did He ask them?
6. How did they answer?
7. Where did the man tell them they would find the truth about the Christ?
8. When they came near to the village, what did the stranger seem to want to do?
9. What did the disciples say?
10. Did He accept their invitation?
11. How did He show them who He was?
12. What happened as soon as they knew Him?
13. Where did the two friends go when they were left alone?
14. Who else had seen Jesus, in the meantime?
15. What is the Golden Text?



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour reveals Himself to His friends



Primary Catechism—23. For what purpose was man made? Man was made to love and serve God, and to be happy with Him forever.

Shorter Catechism—73. Which is the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment is, Thou shalt not steal.

74. What is required in the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment requireth the lawful procuring and furthering the wealth and outward estate of ourselves and others.

Lesson Hymn

Tell me the story softly,
With earnest tone and grave;
Remember I'm the sinner
Whom Jesus came to save.
Tell me that story always,
If you would really be,
In any time of trouble,
A comforter to me.

Amen.

—Hymn 555, Book of Praise

Lesson IV.

JESUS APPEARS TO THE APOSTLES

April 28, 1901

John 20 : 19-29—Memory Verses, 19, 20

Golden Text—Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29.

19 Then the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Je'sus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.

20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them *his* hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

21 Then said Je'sus to them again, Peace *be* unto you: as *my* Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

22 And when he had said this, he breathed on *them*, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

23 Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever *sins* ye retain, they are retained.

24 But Thom'as, one of the twelve, called Did'yimus, was not with them when Je'sus came.

25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands

the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thom'as with them: *then* came Je'sus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace *be* unto you.

27 Then saith he to Thom'as, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

28 And Thom'as answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

29 Je'sus saith unto him, Thom'as, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed *are* they that have not seen, and *yet* have believed.

THE LESSON RETOLD

On the evening of that wonderful day upon which Jesus became alive from the dead, His disciples were gathered together in a house in Jerusalem to talk over all the strange things that had happened. The doors and windows were shut and locked to keep out the angry Jews.

Suddenly Jesus Himself stood in the middle of the room.

He did not look quite the same as before His death. The disciples could hardly believe it was He until they heard His

gentle voice saying, "Peace be unto you!"

When Jesus saw that they were afraid, He invited them to come near and touch His flesh and skin to make sure that He was indeed alive. He showed them, also, the marks of the nails in His feet and hands, and the wound in His side that the soldier's spear had made. How sure they were now that He was indeed their own Master, and how glad!

After blessing them again, Jesus said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I

you. Receive ye the Holy Ghost." And He breathed upon them, saying, "If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven them; and if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas, the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples told him afterward how they had seen the Lord, but Thomas did not think they were speaking the truth.

He said, "I will not believe that He is alive unless I see the nail-prints myself and can put my own hand into the hole in His side."

The next Sunday evening Jesus' friends were again gathered in the same room, with the doors shut and locked as before. Thomas was with them this time. Suddenly Jesus stood before them again, saying, "Peace be unto you."

They saw Him holding out His scarred hands. "Thomas, come here and put your finger upon these marks," He said, "and feel this sword-wound in my side. I want

you to be perfectly certain that your Master is risen from the dead."

Then poor, ashamed Thomas sprang up, saying, oh, so gladly, "My Lord and my God!"

"Is it because you have seen me that you have believed?" asked Jesus. "Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where were the disciples gathered when Jesus came to them?
2. When was it?
3. Did they know Him at once?
4. What blessing did He give them?
5. How did He prove Himself to be their old Master?
6. Which of the disciples was absent?
7. What did Thomas say he must do before he would believe that Jesus was alive?
8. Where were the disciples the following Sunday evening?
9. Why were the doors locked?
10. Who came in?
11. How did Jesus show Thomas that He was the Lord?
12. What did Thomas say?
13. What is the Golden Text?

Bert's Mistake

"I want all you boys to meet me here next Saturday afternoon," said Mr. Gordon to his class one Sunday.

"He'll not catch me," said Bert to himself. "It's some sell, I know. Why doesn't he tell us what he wants?"

The next Saturday, not having anything to do, Bert wandered down to the wharf.

Whom should he see but Mr. Gordon and the boys setting off for a sail up the river!

"Just in time, Bert," called his teacher. "We don't want anybody left behind. But why weren't you with the other boys?"

How foolish Bert felt now, but he had had a good lesson. He had learned to trust his teacher when he made an offer.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour says "Blessed are believers"



Primary Catechism—24. What kind of persons were Adam and Eve when God made them? God made Adam and Eve holy and happy.

Shorter Catechism—75. What is forbidden in the eighth commandment?

A. The eighth commandment forbiddeth whatsoever doth or may unjustly hinder our own or our neighbour's wealth or outward estate.

Lesson Hymn

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

Amen.

—Hymn 245, Book of Praise

Lesson V.

JESUS AND PETER

May 5, 1901

John 21 : 15-22—Memory Verses, 15-17

Golden Text—Lovest thou me?—John 21 : 17.

And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

20 Then Pe'ter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Je'sus loved following ; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee ?

21 Pe'ter seeing him saith to Je'sus, Lord, and what *shall* this man do ?

22 Je'sus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is that* to thee ? follow thou me.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The next time the disciples saw Jesus was early one morning, as they came in hungry and cold from a night's fishing. There He was waiting for them on the shore, where He had breakfast ready beside a little fire.

Now, Simon Peter had jumped into the water and waded to land, so as to be the first to welcome his Master, leaving the others to look after the boat.

When breakfast was over, Jesus said to Simon, "Are you sure that you love me more than the other disciples?" "Yes, Master," he answered, "You know that I love you." "Feed my lambs," said Jesus.

Looking more closely at Simon, Jesus said

15 So when they had dined, Je'sus saith to Si'mon Fe'ter, Si'mon, *son of Jo'nas*, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord ; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

16 He saith to him again the second time, Si'mon, *son of Jo'nas*, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord ; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

17 He saith unto him the third time, Si'mon, *son of Jo'nas*, lovest thou me? Pe'ter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things ; thou knowest that I love thee. Je'sus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldst : but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldst not.

19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God.

again, "But are you sure, Simon, that you love me?" And Simon gave the same answer. "If you do, take care of my people. Be a shepherd to my sheep."

Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, do you love me?" Peter was pained at His third question being, "Do you love me?" and cried out, "Master, you know everything. You can tell that I do love you." "Feed my sheep," said Jesus again.

Then Jesus showed Peter that if he truly loved Him, he would have to suffer a great deal on His account, and do many things he would not like to do. "When the wicked people find that you are my friend," said

Jesus, "they will hate you. When you are old and have no longer strength even to put on your own clothes, they will take and nail you to a cross. Only see that you are found faithful, and follow me to the end."

When Jesus stopped speaking, Peter was not afraid. He felt row that he could do anything to honor his Lord and Master.

As he turned around, Peter saw the disciple whom Jesus loved best, following them. It was the one who, sitting next Jesus at the supper, had asked who should betray Him.

"And what about John? Will he suffer, too?" asked Peter. "If I choose that he shall live even till I come again at the end of the world," answered Jesus, "what is

that to you? It is your duty to follow Me."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where did Jesus and the disciples have breakfast one morning, some time after He was risen from the dead?
2. What question did Jesus ask Simon?
3. How many times did Jesus ask the same question?
4. How often did Simon answer that he loved Him?
5. What did Jesus tell him to do each time?
6. How did He say he should be treated when he was old?
7. What kind of a time did Jesus promise Simon?
8. What made him willing to suffer all that Jesus had said?
9. What did Jesus say about John?
10. What is the Golden Text?

Faithful Madge

Madge was a little girl, who was always faithful to any charge given her, and was a great comfort to her mother.

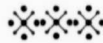
One afternoon, when black Dinah brought home the clean clothes, Mrs. Barclay said to Madge, "Run upstairs with her, dear, and stay till I come and count the pieces."

Just then visitors came in, and Mrs. Barclay forgot all about Madge and the clothes. But she missed her at tea time, and wondered where the child could be. At last papa found her in the third story, sitting quietly beside the clothes-basket.

"Why, Madge, what are you doing here in the dark?" he asked. "I have been waiting for mamma," said Madge. "She told me to stay here until she came."

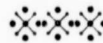
"And have you been here three hours? Oh, Madge, why didn't you come down?" cried her mother, who had run upstairs when she heard the child's voice.

"Because you told me to stay here until you came," repeated Madge. Her father laughed, and called her his little treasure, and putting her on his shoulder, carried her down stairs to supper.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour values my love



Primary Catechism—25. Where did God place Adam and Eve? God placed Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden in Eden.

Shorter Catechism—76. Which is the ninth commandment?

A. The ninth commandment is, Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Lesson Hymn

Jesus, when He left the sky,
And for sinners came to die,
In His mercy passed not by
Little ones like me.

Children, love Him! He loves you:
Strive His holy will to do;
Pray to Him; and praise Him too—
Little ones like me. Amen.

—Hymn 558, Book of Praise

Lesson VI.

THE GREAT COMMISSION

May 12, 1901

Matthew 28: 16-20—Memory Verses, 18-20

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

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

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

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

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

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

THE LESSON RETOLD

The disciples had now seen their Lord seven times in all since He became alive from the dead. But there were many others of His followers—those who had loved to listen to His teaching and who had been cured by His wonderful miracles—who were anxious to

see Him also. Many of these people lived in Galilee, where Jesus had spent the happiest part of His life and where He had chosen His beloved disciples.

Now Jesus had promised, before His death, to come back to Galilee after His resurrection for a great meeting with all His old friends. The Master had not forgotten this promise and had sent a message about it to the disciples by the angels, the very day that He arose from the grave. Then the eleven apostles sent word to everyone they could reach, saying that Jesus would be at a certain mountain in Galilee on the day appointed.

When the great morning came, someone counted the people who were waiting to see Jesus. There were about *five hundred, besides the eleven disciples.

Soon they saw Him coming and they fell on their knees to worship Him who had been dead, but was now alive for ever and ever.

There were still a few who held back. They were not yet sure that He was the same Jesus. However, they were soon comforted when He came near and spoke with them.

Then Jesus told them why He had called them together. He said, "My Father has made Me Ruler and King of heaven and earth. I am to go and stay with my Father yonder. You must stay here and carry on the work that I have begun." Then Jesus told His friends, and especially the eleven apostles, what the work was that He wanted them to do. He said, "You are to be my messengers to go into every part of the world, preaching and teaching the good news. Begin at Jerusalem and tell everybody to repent

*It is not improbable that the "five hundred" mentioned by Paul in 1 Cor. 15: 6 met Jesus at this time along with the eleven.

of their sins and I will forgive them. Those who hear you gladly are to be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, as a sign that they belong to Me, and all are to be taught to love Me and to keep My commandments."

Then Jesus promised to give His teachers and preachers power to cure sick people and to work different kinds of miracles, so that strangers would be the more willing to listen to their message.

Better than all, He promised to be always and everywhere with His people, to take care of them even though they could not see Him. These were His very words: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Has this promise been carried out? Stephen, the first one who was killed because he loved Jesus, saw Him with his eyes when he was dying. God opened hea-

ven and let Stephen see Jesus there as his friend. And all God's people ever since have felt Jesus in their hearts, and He makes them strong and brave and true to serve Him.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What promise had Jesus given to His friends and disciples before He was put to death?
2. Who reminded them of it?
3. Where was the meeting to be?
4. How many people were there?
5. How did they all show honor to Jesus when He came?
6. How many times did this make that Jesus had been seen alive?
7. What work did Jesus leave His friends to do?
8. Where were His missionaries to begin to preach and to teach?
9. How far were they to go?
10. What power did Jesus promise them as a help in their work?
11. What did He say about His own power?
12. Who were to be baptized?
13. What is the Golden Text?

A Little Missionary

Emma Gray on her way to school passed a little boy whose hand was through the railings of a gentleman's front garden, trying to pick a flower.

"Oh, little boy!" said Emma kindly, "are you taking that without leave?"

"Nobody sees me," answered the little boy. "So it does not matter."

"Somebody sees you from the blue sky," answered Emma. "God says we must not take what does not belong to us without leave; and you will grieve Him if you do."

"I can't see God," said the boy, "and I don't believe He pays any attention to a poor little boy like me." "But God does see you," replied Emma. "He is always looking at each one of us; and you will make Him feel very sorry if you steal even one little flower."

"Shall I?" said he; "then I won't." He drew back his hand and went away. One way of doing good is to prevent others from doing wrong. So Emma was just a little missionary for Jesus.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour has an errand for me



Primary Catechism — 26. What did God say to Adam and Eve when He had placed them in the garden? God told Adam and Eve that they might eat of every tree in the garden except one.

Shorter Catechism — 77. What is required in the ninth commandment?

A. The ninth commandment requireth the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbour's good name, especially in witness-bearing.

Lesson Hymn

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

—Hymn 562, Book of Praise

Lesson VII.

JESUS ASCENDS INTO HEAVEN

May 19, 1901

Luke 24 : 44-53 ; Acts 1 : 1-11—Memory Verses, 9-11

Golden Text—While he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.—Luke 24 : 51.



hath put in his own power. 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you : and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jeru'salem, and in all Judæ'a; and in Sama'ria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up ; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel :

11 Which also said, Ye men of Gal'ilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven ? this same Je'sus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus had told His followers to begin their new work of preaching and healing at Jerusalem. So when the great meeting on the mountain was over, they returned quickly to Jerusalem, to talk over once more all that had happened since Jesus had become alive.

It was now more than a month since He had risen, and there could be no longer any doubt about His resurrection, for they had all seen and touched Him, and heard His words. They were sure that it was He.

1 The former treatise have I made, O Theoph'ilus, of all that Je'sus began both to do and teach,

2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen :

3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God :

4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jeru'salem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

5 For John truly baptized with water ; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel ?

7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father

Once again Jesus met them as they were gathered together. It was for the last time. He was to say farewell, and go away to be with His Father. But He wanted first to tell His friends of a great gift He was going to send them to remember Him by.

Now, Jesus had many times before spoken of the Holy Spirit who should come to be their Comforter when He was taken from them.

"He will soon come now," said Jesus,

"and will teach you all things. But you are to stay quietly here in Jerusalem until I send Him to you. Do not begin any work yet. He alone can give you the power to work."

After a while Jesus rose up, and the disciples followed. They walked together along the road towards Bethany, Jesus still talking of the work of His kingdom.

Now, many of the Jews had looked forward to a time when their nation should have first place in the world. Some had expected Jesus to become their earthly king and to set up His kingdom at Jerusalem.

Thinking of this, the disciples said to Jesus, "Master, if you must go away now, when will you come back?" But Jesus would not tell them. He said, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons: that power belongs to God alone. But it is your part, after you have been taught by the Spirit, to go into every corner of the world, preaching my message and inviting others to become my friends."

They had now got as far as Mount Olivet. Jesus lifted up His hand to bless them. Soon they saw His feet slowly leave the ground. His body became wrapped in a

bright cloud, which carried Him higher and higher, until it hid him from their sight.

As the disciples were straining their eyes upwards, two angels in white raiment stood beside them, saying, "Why are you standing here gazing into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will some day come again in the same way as you have seen Him go."

Then the disciples were glad, and returned to Jerusalem to watch and pray as Jesus had told them.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Where were the disciples gathered when Jesus met them for the last time?
2. What gift did He promise to send them when He was gone?
3. What was the Holy Spirit to do for them?
4. Where did Jesus tell the disciples to wait until He should send the Spirit?
5. What would some of the Jews have liked to make of Jesus?
6. What answer did Jesus give the disciples as to when He should come again?
7. How did Jesus go back to His Father?
8. Who saw Him go?
9. What promise did the angels make to His friends?
10. What is the Golden Text?

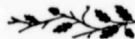
I'm Needed

I'm only a little herald,
But the Kingdom needs my voice;
To herald in the King of kings,
This is my happy choice.

I'm only a little worker,
But the Kingdom needs my hand;
I'll use these busy fingers
To do my Lord's command.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT **My Saviour has gone before me into Heaven**



Primary Catechism—27. Did Adam and Eve obey God? No. They ate the fruit God told them not to eat.

Shorter Catechism—78. What is forbidden in the ninth commandment?

A. The ninth commandment forbiddeth whatsoever is prejudicial to truth, or injurious to our own or our neighbour's good name.

Lesson Hymn

Golden harps are sounding,
Angel voices ring,
Pearly gates are opened,
Opened for the King.
Christ, the King of glory,
Jesus, King of love,
Is gone up in triumph
To His throne above. Amen.
—Hymn 537, Book of Praise

Lesson VIII.

THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVEN

May 26, 1901

Acts 2 : 1-11—Memory Verses, 1-4

Golden Text—When he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth.—
John 16 : 13.



Cappado'cia, in Pon'tus, and A'sia, 10 Phyr'gia, and Pamphyl'ia, and in E'gypt, and in the parts of Lib'ya about Cyre'ne, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and Ara'bians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

THE LESSON RETOLD

About ten days after Jesus was taken up into heaven, a great holiday was being held at Jerusalem called the "Feast of Harvest," or "Day of Pentecost."

It was summer-time, and Jewish people from every part of the world were crowding into the city, bringing their thanksgiving offerings to the temple.

Upon the same day, the disciples too were met together in their quiet up-stairs room. They were watching and praying, as Jesus had told them, for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Suddenly the whole house was shaken by a great noise like the rushing wind before a storm. But there was no storm, for the day

1 And when the day of Pen'tecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling at Jeru'salem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæ'ans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

9 Par'thians, and Medes, and E'lamites, and the dwellers in Mesopota'mia, and in Jude'a, and

in E'gypt, and in the parts of Lib'ya about Cyre'ne, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and Ara'bians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

was clear and calm.

Soon the room where the friends of Jesus were sitting was filled with a bright and fiery cloud, such as they had never seen. All at once the cloud became divided until a part of it rested upon the head of every one in the room. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, exactly as Jesus had promised.

Then a strange thing happened. Every one of the disciples began to talk in a new language, each as the Spirit taught him.

When the crowd of strangers and visitors heard about it, they gathered together and were filled with wonder. They said, "What is this that we hear! These Galilean fishermen are able to speak to us in our own

language just like one of ourselves! We cannot make it out!"

Then the disciples began at once, the Spirit helping them, to do the work that Jesus had appointed them a short time before, and preached the gospel to these strangers, every one in his own language. Some of them had come from distant Africa, others from the far East, and others from Greece, Rome, Turkey, Persia, Arabia and the islands of the sea, for all good Jews loved Jerusalem and wished to be present at the great Feasts in the Holy city.

And many of them believed on Jesus when they saw the earnestness of the disciples, and that God's Spirit was upon them, and became followers of the Lord themselves, so

that when they went back to their far-away homes, they were able to tell others that Jesus was the Saviour.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What was the day of Pentecost?
2. Who had come to Jerusalem to keep this feast?
3. What were the disciples doing since Jesus had gone up to heaven?
4. Where was their meeting-place?
5. What promise had Jesus made to His disciples about the Holy Spirit?
6. How did the Holy Spirit come?
7. What power did he bring to each of Jesus' friends?
8. Who heard them talking in different tongues?
9. What did the strangers say about it?
10. How did the disciples use their new gift?
11. What is the Golden Text?

God's Fire

Some people were once met together on the top of a hill to find out which was the stronger—the Living God or heathen idols. Elijah the prophet was there, and he said, "Let us build an altar and lay an animal upon it for a burnt sacrifice, but put no fire under it. The God who can send fire from heaven to burn it is the true God." So the heathen worshippers called loudly to their idols from morning until night, but no fire came. Then it was Elijah's turn. First he soaked the wood with water, to make it

harder to burn. Then he prayed, "Oh, Lord, make the people see that Thou alone art God, and change their wicked hearts that they may this day give up their sins and obey thy commandments."

As soon as Elijah had spoken thus, God sent His fire and burnt up the wood and the stones and the water, so that all the people shouted, "The Lord, He is the God!" "The Lord, He is the God!" and they fell on their faces in great fear and wonder. They saw plainly that He was indeed God.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour will give me power

Primary Catechism—28. What change took place in Adam and Eve when they disobeyed God? They were no longer good and happy, and they were afraid of God.

29. What name is given in the Bible to Adam's disobedience? It is called sin.

Shorter Catechism—79. Which is the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment is, Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbour's.

Lesson Hymn

Holy Spirit, hear us,
Help us while we sing;
Breathe into the music
Of the praise we bring.

Holy Spirit, help us
Daily by Thy might,
What is wrong to conquer,
And to choose the right.

Amen.

—Hymn 551, Book of Praise

Lesson IX.

JESUS OUR HIGH PRIEST IN HEAVEN

June 2, 1901

Hebrews 9 : 11-14 ; 24-28 — Memory Verses, 24-26

Golden Text—He ever liveth to make intercession.—Hebrews 7 : 25.

11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building ;

12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption *for us*.

13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh :

14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God ?

24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true ; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us :

25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others ;

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world : but now once in the

end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment :

28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many ; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

THE LESSON RETOLD

After Jesus had been gone up into heaven quite a long time, His followers used to sometimes wonder what He could be doing there, now that His work on earth was finished.

One day they got a letter from a wise Christian teacher, telling them just what they wanted to know. In this letter, which was called the Epistle to the Hebrews, they were told that Jesus was now their Great High Priest, who had passed into the heavens, and was now pleading for them in the presence of God.

Many years before, in Old Testament times, before God had sent His Son into the world, He had told His people to offer sacri-

fices of animals to Him, as a sign that some day Jesus Himself would come and take away their sins by His own death. These old sacrifices and offerings were then only pictures of the real work of the Saviour.

Now, the High Priest in olden days was the only man who had the right to go into the very holiest place in God's house to offer a sacrifice for sins. He did this once every year. But after Jesus had died on the cross, there was no more need for this. Jesus, our great and better High Priest, bore our sins there once and forever, and then went up into the presence of God in heaven.

Often the High Priest, being only a man,

would make mistakes, as did even Aaron and Moses; but Jesus Christ is the sinless and perfect High Priest, and now that He has come, nobody, however bad, need be shut out from God's presence, for He Himself has taken the punishment for everybody in the world.

Very often, immediately after the Israelites had offered sacrifices to God, they would turn round and do wickedly, and the priests could not stop them. But Jesus, the Great High Priest, will send His Holy Spirit to teach His followers how to keep His Father's word, so that they become new creatures, loving good and hating evil.

Some day Jesus, the Great High Priest, will come again as King and Judge, and all those who are glad to see Him, and who have been redeemed with His own blood, will go to reign with Him forever and ever.

Questions on the Lesson

1. Did Jesus' work stop when He left this earth? 2. Which book of the Bible tells us much about work in heaven? 3. By

what name is He called? 4. What did the High Priest do in olden times? 5. Of what were the sacrifices and offerings pictures? 6. Where are they told about? 7. Who was one of the old High Priests? 8. How often



The High Priest

did they make an offering for sin? 9. What was Christ's offering? 10. How many times did Jesus die? 11. For whose sins did He die? 12. Why was Jesus' offering better than the High Priest's? 13. What does He promise to teach those whom He has forgiven? 14.

For what will Jesus come again to this world? 15. Who will be glad to see Him? 16. What is the Golden Text?

Jesus, Help Me!

In the hour of trial,
Jesus, plead for me,
Lest by base denial,
I depart from Thee;

When Thou seest me waver,
With a look recall;
Nor, with fear or favor,
Suffer me to fall.

I HAVE LEARNED TO-DAY THAT *My Saviour prays for me at God's throne*

Primary Catechism — 30. When do we sin against God? We sin against God when we do what He tells us not to do; or when we fail to do what He tells us.

Shorter Catechism—80. What is required in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment requireth full contentment with our own condition, with a right and charitable frame of spirit toward our neighbour, and all that is his.

Lesson Hymn

Rejoice and be glad! For our King is on high,
He pleadeth for us on His throne in the sky.
Sound His praises, tell the story of Him who was slain;
Sound His praises, tell with gladness, He liveth again.

Amen

—Hymn 550, Book of Praise

Lesson X.

JESUS APPEARS TO PAUL

June 9, 1901

Acts 22 : 6-16—Memory Verses, 6-8

Golden Text—I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.—Acts 26 : 19.

13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

THE LESSON RETOLD

The chief priests and scribes who had put Jesus to death were very bitter against His followers and tried to stop their preaching and teaching.

Among the most cruel of them all was a proud young Jew named Saul, who went from city to city searching for friends of Jesus to kill them or cast them into prison.

One day, about twelve o'clock, as Saul and his companions were riding to Damascus to punish the Christians there, a wonderful thing happened. A dazzling light from heaven shone suddenly round about him which so blinded Saul that he fell off his horse to the ground.

6 And it came to pass, that as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damas'cus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me.

7 And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

8 And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Je'sus of Naz'areth, whom thou persecutest.

9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.

10 And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damas'cus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.

11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damas'cus.

12 And one Anani'as, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there,

Suddenly he heard a voice calling to him from heaven, "Saul, Saul, why are you fighting against me?"

"Who is speaking? Whom am I fighting against, Lord?" answered Saul; and the voice answered, "I am Jesus of Nazareth whom thou persecutest."

"Then Saul, trembling and astonished, cried out, "Oh, Lord, what shall I do?" For he knew not that it was Jesus Himself who had stopped him on the road.

"Stand up on your feet," answered Jesus, "and go on with your journey. It will be told you at Damascus what you must do."

Now, Saul's friends had been frightened

too by the voice and light, but they had not seen Jesus nor heard His words plainly, as Saul had done. When they saw that Saul was blind, they took him by the hand and helped him to the city, where God sent a good man named Ananias to see them.

Ananias was a little afraid at first to have anything to do with Saul, the persecutor, but God told him how Saul's heart had been changed.

When Ananias came to Saul he took him by the hand, saying, "Brother Saul, the Lord has sent me to give you back your sight." Then Saul's eyes were opened, and Ananias stayed and talked a long time with him, telling how God had chosen him to be a great Christian teacher and missionary.

So, to show that he had given up his old ways, Saul was baptized, and he began at once to preach that Jesus was the Son of God.

Questions on the Lesson

1. How were the Christians treated when they began to preach about Jesus?
2. Who was Saul?
3. Why was he going to Damascus?
4. What happened on the way?
5. What did he hear the heavenly voice saying to him?
6. What did Saul ask when he knew that it was Jesus?
7. Where did Jesus send him?
8. Who met him there and gave him back his sight?
9. What did Ananias tell Saul that he had been chosen to do?
10. How soon was he baptized?
11. When did he begin to preach?
12. What is the Golden Text?

Tom's Vision

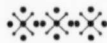
Tom was a poor, dirty, little chimney-sweep. One day he was sent up a chimney in a fine house and by mistake came down in a bright, fresh room where the most beautiful little girl lay asleep on the bed. Her cheeks were almost as white as the pillow, and her hair was like threads of gold spread over the bed. He wondered if she were a real person, or one of the wax dolls he had seen in the shops. But when he saw her breathe he made up his mind that she was alive, and stood staring as if he had seen

an angel. "She never could have been dirty," thought Tom, rubbing the soot off his own black wrist. Then, looking round, he saw standing close to him a little, ugly, black, ragged figure with red eyes and grinning white teeth. And, behold, it was himself reflected in a great mirror. Then Tom for the first time in his life found out that he was dirty. He was so ashamed that he turned and ran from himself as hard as ever he could. From that day he always wanted to be clean. He had had a vision of how lovely it was.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour calls me to serve Him



Primary Catechism—31. How were Adam and Eve punished for their sin? They were driven out of the garden, and had to suffer pain, sorrow, and death.

Shorter Catechism—81. What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment forbiddeth all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbour, and all inordinate motions and affections to anything that is his.

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

Lesson XI.

JESUS APPEARS TO JOHN

June 16, 1901

Revelation 1 : 9-20—Memory Verses, 17, 18

Golden Text—Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever.—Heb. 13 : 8.

15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace ; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

16 And he had in his right hand seven stars : and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword : and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.

17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not ; I am the first, and the last :

18 *I am* he that liveth, and was dead ; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen ; and have the keys of hell and of death.

19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter ;

20 The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches : and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

THE LESSON RETOLD

There was one other man besides the Apostle Paul who saw Jesus and heard Him speak, long after the cloud had borne Him up into Heaven.

This was John, the disciple whom Jesus had loved best, and who wrote five of the books of the Bible.

John was now a very old man. He had been preaching and teaching about Jesus

perhaps sixty years. Most of the other disciples were dead, and quite a number of churches had been started through this work.

A bad king sent John far away from home to live alone on a small rocky island called Patmos. He spent part of his time there in writing to Christians in all parts of the world. One of his books was called the

9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Je'sus Christ, was in the isle that is called Pat'mos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Je'sus Christ.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

11 Saying, I am Al'pha and O'mega, the first and the last : and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches which are in A'sia ; unto Eph'esus, and unto Smyr'na, and unto Per'gamos, and unto Thya'ti'ra, and unto Sar'dis, and unto Philade'lphia, and unto Laodice'a.

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks ;

13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *was* like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

14 His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow ; and his eyes *were* as a flame of fire ;

"Revelation," and this is how it came to be written.

One Sabbath day as John was quietly praying, he heard a strong voice as clear as a trumpet behind him saying, "I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last; and, what thou seest, write in a book and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia."

Then John turned and saw his Heavenly Master dressed as a great King in splendid robes and a golden girdle, while around Him were seven lighted candle-sticks. His head and His hair were as white as wool and glistened like the snow. His feet, too, shone like polished brass. His voice was as loud and strong as the sound of many waters, and His eyes were like flaming fire. His face was brighter than any sunshine, and in His hand He carried seven stars.

At the sight of such a vision John was frightened and hid his eyes. But the Lord laid His hand upon him saying, "Fear not, I am He that liveth and was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore, and I have the keys of death and of the world beyond."

Then the Lord explained to John that the

seven stars in His hand were pictures of seven angels taking care of His people, and told him to write a separate letter to each church, telling what he had seen and warning them to be like the seven burning candles in the vision, ready to point others to Himself, the great Light of the world.

Questions on the Lesson

1. What two men saw and spoke with Jesus after He had gone back to heaven? 2. Who was John? 3. What happened to him when he was old? 4. How had he been spending his life? 5. How did he spend the time at Patmos? 6. What is the name of one of his books? 7. What was John doing on the day that Jesus came to speak to him? 8. How did the Saviour look? 9. What did He hold in His hand? 10. What did His voice sound like? 11. How did John feel? 12. How did the Lord comfort Him? 13. What did Jesus say about Himself? 14. What did He ask John to do? 15. Of what did He say the seven stars were pictures? 16. Who were to be like lighted candles? 17. What is the Golden Text of the lesson?

Showing the Way

Jesus bids us shine
With a clear, pure light,
Like a little candle
Burning in the night.

In this world of darkness
We must shine,
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.

I HAVE LEARNED TO-DAY THAT **My Saviour has heaven in store for me**

Primary Catechism—82. What evil did Adam's sin bring upon us all? We have all been born with a sinful heart.

Shorter Catechism—82. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

A. No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word, and deed.

Lesson Hymn

Who is He that on yon throne
Rules the world of light alone?

'Tis the Lord: O wondrous story!

'Tis the Lord, the King of glory!

At His feet we humbly fall;

Crown Him, crown Him, Lord of all.

Amen.

—Hymn 538, Book of Praise

Lesson XII.

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH

June 23, 1901

Revelation 21 : 1-7 ; 22-27—Memory Verses, 3, 4, 27

Golden Text—He that overcometh shall inherit all things ; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.—Rev. 21 : 7.



life freely. 7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things ; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

22 And I saw no temple therein : for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it : for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it : and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day : for there shall be no night there.

26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie : but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

THE LESSON RETOLD

When Jesus visited John on the lonely island of Patmos, He took him with Him up to heaven, where an angel showed him many strange and wonderful things which John was told to write about in his book.

Here are some of the things he saw and heard in the Holy City, which was called the New Jerusalem.

All there was new and fresh, and so very

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth : for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away ; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jeru'salem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes ; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain : for the former things are passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write : for these words are true and faithful.

6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Al'pha and O'mega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of

beautiful that John compared the whole city to a bride adorned with jewels.

Everything old and worn out, even the sea, and the earth, and the sky had passed away. Instead of these things, John saw one great, happy family, both small and great, praising God, who was the King of that Heavenly City, but who, at the same time, was the loving, Heavenly Father.

And Jesus Himself was there, wiping the tears away from off all faces, for now there was no more need for sorrow and crying, since there was not such a thing known as trouble, or death, or sickness, or pain, in all that city. And there was no more sin.

But John could see no church or temple there, neither was there any light from the sun or moon. The angel explained to him that there was no need for a temple, because Jesus, the Lamb who had been slain, was the Temple, and God was always in the midst of His people.

And he saw kings and princes full of glory and honor, walking among the nations that were saved, and little children playing in the streets.

Then he knew why there were no candles. The glory of God and of the Lamb filled the place with brightness, so that there was no night at all.

Now the gates of the city, which were made of pearl, were always open, for everyone there was holy. There was no one at all to make them afraid, for all drunkards, and liars, and evil-doers of every kind were not allowed even within sight of that happy place. They had shut themselves out.

And John was told by his Heavenly Master to write an invitation in his book for everyone in the world who was willing to give up sin, to come and have his name put upon the Lamb's Book of Life, and so, by and by, reach that blessed city. This was the invitation: "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son."

Questions on the Lesson

1. What great sight did Jesus show to John while he was still at Patmos? 2. Where is the story of what he saw written? 3. Who told him to write it? 4. By what name did John call the Heavenly City? 5. What did he find had become of the earth, and the sky, and the sea? 6. What was the most glorious sight that he saw in heaven? 7. Why was there no need of a temple? 8. How was the city lighted? 9. What kind of people were in heaven? 10. How had they come there? 11. What did Jesus do for those who had been sad? 12. Who had shut themselves out from God's presence? 13. What invitation does God give to all who are sorry for sin? 14. What is the Golden Text of this Lesson?

The Snow Prayer

A little girl went out to play one day in the snow, and when she came in she said, "Mamma, I couldn't help praying when I was out at play."

"What did you pray, dear?"

"I prayed the snow-prayer, mamma, that

I once learned in Sunday School: 'Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.'"

What a beautiful prayer! And here is the promise that goes with it: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow."

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour is the same forever

Primary Catechism—33. What will follow if we love sin and allow it to remain in our heart? If we love sin we cannot be the friends of God, or be with Him when we die.

Shorter Catechism—83. Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

Lesson Hymn

Little travellers Zionward,
Each one entering into rest
In the kingdom of your Lord,
In the mansions of the blest.
There to welcome Jesus waits,
Gives the crowns His followers win:
Lift your heads, ye golden gates,
Let the little travellers in. Amen
—Hymn 589, Book of Praise

Lesson XIII.

REVIEW

June 30, 1901

Golden Text—God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.—1 Cor. 6 : 14.

Primary Catechism—Review Questions 21-33.

Shorter Catechism—Review Questions 70-83.

Lesson Hymn

Rejoice and be glad ! The Redeemer has come ;
Go look on His cradle, His cross and His tomb.

*Sound His praises, tell the story of Him who was slain ;
Sound His praises, tell with gladness, He liveth again.*

Rejoice and be glad ! It is sunshine at last !
The clouds have departed, the shadows are past.

Rejoice and be glad ! For the blood hath been shed !
Redemption is finished, the price hath been paid.

Rejoice and be glad ! For He cometh again !
He cometh in glory, the Lamb that was slain.

Amen.

—Hymn 550, Book of Praise



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

My Saviour will raise me up in glory



	Lesson Title	Golden Text
LESSON I.	The Resurrection of Jesus.	Now is Christ risen from the dead.—1 Cor. 15 : 20.
LESSON II.	Jesus Appears to Mary.	Behold, I am alive for evermore.—Rev. 1 : 18.
LESSON III.	The Walk to Emmaus.	Did not our hearts burn within us, while he talked with us by the way?—Luke 24 : 32.
LESSON IV.	Jesus Appears to the Apostles.	Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20 : 29.
LESSON V.	Jesus and Peter.	Lovest thou me?—John 21 : 17.
LESSON VI.	The Great Commission.	Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.—Matt. 28 : 20.
LESSON VII.	Jesus Ascends into Heaven.	While he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.—Luke 24 : 51.
LESSON VIII.	The Holy Spirit Given.	When he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth.—John 16 : 13.
LESSON IX.	Jesus our High Priest in Heaven.	He ever liveth to make intercession.—Heb. 7 : 25.
LESSON X.	Jesus Appears to Paul.	I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision. Acts 26 : 19.
LESSON XI.	Jesus Appears to John.	Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever.—Heb. 13 : 8.
LESSON XII.	A New Heaven and a New Earth.	He that overcometh shall inherit all things ; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.—Rev. 21 : 7.
LESSON XIII.	REVIEW.	God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.—1 Cor. 6 : 14.

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

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

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Gone Home

The little children will never forget the sad days when everyone was mourning for our Queen, the dear old Queen who loved her own children so, and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and whom every child in all the Empire loved.

The best of all was that she loved God and served Him faithfully, and we should think of her not as in the cold dark tomb, but as in the glorious home above.

"The Land We Have Not Seen"

Every morning the red sun
Rises warm and bright,
But the evening cometh on
And the dark cold night.
There's a bright land far away,
Where 'tis never-ending day.

Every spring the sweet young flowers
Open bright and gay;
Till the chilly autumn hours
Wither them away.
There is a land we have not seen,
Where the trees are always green.

Little birds sing songs of praise
All the summer long,
But in colder, shorter days
They forget their song.
There's a place where angels sing
Ceaseless praises to their King.

Christ our Lord is ever near
Those who follow Him;
But we cannot see Him here,
For our eyes are dim.
There is a most happy place
Where men always see His face.

Who shall go to that bright land?
All who do the right;
Holy children there shall stand
In their robes of white.
For that heaven so bright and blest
Is our everlasting rest!

—George Macdonald