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The Coming Man

A pair of very chubby legs,
Incased in scarlet hose ;
A pair of little stubby boots,
With rather doubtful toes ;
A little kilt, a little coat—
Cut as a mother can—
And lo ! before us stands in state
The future's "coming man."

His eyes, perchance, will read the stars,
And search the unknown ways ;
Perchance the human heart and soul
Will open to their gaze ;
Perchance their keen and flashing glance
Will be a nation's light—
Those eyes that now are wistful bent
On some "big fellow's kite."

Ah, blessing on those little hands
Whose work is yet undone ;
And blessing on those little feet,
Whose race is yet unrun !
And blessing on the little brain
That has not learned to plan !
Whate'er the future holds in store,
God bless the "coming man."
—Buds of Promise

Our little paper, JEWELS, apparently possesses a characteristic which belongs to most of its little readers, viz., that it finds it easy to win friends. The expectations of the Editor and of the Publication Committee have been more than realized, and the circulation is still increasing. Every day new orders come. It is not for the Editor to praise it, but he will say that the paper-makers, and the engravers, and the printers

have united to make it very beautiful, and his contributors have given some lovely stories. Amongst the pictures, the Smiling Queen was a great favorite. Few had ever seen that picture of Her Majesty before. The Collie Dog had his friends, too. One admirer was willing to give the Editor a good price for the original, if he was for sale. The big Lion made all think of the British Lion, and how strong he is to put down the wrong and defend the right. The Pussy and the Parrot and the Sleepy Babies all had their admirers, and the stories on the Golden Text have interested many little ones in the lesson. The Editor hopes before very long that ALL the Sabbath Schools will have JEWELS.

How to use the Primary Quarterly

This is a word for both parents and teachers, for every parent knows how often a thing needs to be told to a little child before it is remembered, and every teacher knows how valuable an aid in his work or her work the home instruction is.

To both parents and teachers we would say that the PRIMARY QUARTERLY and PRIMARY LEAFLET have this special end in view, that the truth as it is set forth in the particular passages of Scripture under study shall find its way into the mind and heart of the child.

The lesson material is divided into sections, Scripture, exposition, question and answer, illustration, practical, memory and song.

The Scripture is put first because it is the foundation of all the rest. The aim, in the case even of the youngest child, is to see

that what the Bible says is understood and felt.

The exposition takes the familiar form of "The Lesson Retold" and the writer of this portion of the Helps studies the text and commentaries and books upon the Bible and upon the Holy Land as carefully as do the writers for the older scholars. The retold lesson is not simply a parrot like repetition, but it is a recasting or translation of the different facts and truths of the lesson into the language of the child, so as to make them more vivid and more effective.

The Questions and Answers are a most important part. They are for drill, so that the facts may be fastened upon the child's mind and the points made plain.

The little story which usually follows the Questions and Answers is to illustrate some point. It both entertains and instructs.

The picture is intended to teach through the eye, so that even the "wee ones" who who cannot read may be able to make out something "their very own selves."

The one chief practical point is given in big type and should be strongly impressed upon the child.

For Memory there is the Golden Text and the Catechism, and for Song—and it also should be learned by heart, if possible—the Lesson Hymn.

The teacher will see how very valuable a proper preparation of the lesson under an intelligent parent will be. The scholars come with the materials in their minds, and the teacher's task will be largely a task of vivifying and impressing; a more pleasant and profitable task than that of trying to get the attention of a class of little ones who have come without any notion of or interest in their lesson.

The parents also will see how much there is for them to do. The Lesson Retold should be read over and over again to the child until he makes it his own. He should be exercised in the questions and answers—and most children delight to give answers when they know them. Probably they will ask a good many questions, some of which the parent may answer from the Scripture passage, and

many of which will doubtless be beyond answering, for do not our little ones ask strange questions? The child sees deep into the mysteries of God.

There will be no difficulty about the picture or the illustrative story. Probably most of the little children will like to have this read first. Nor should there be any difficulty with the practical point in large type. It might be a good idea to have it printed on a sheet of paper each week in large letters. Print it or let the child print it if he can, and have it put up beside his cot. In the last lesson, for example, of the Quarter just ended, the "I have learned to-day" is "I should come when Jesus calls."

What is more impressive than to have this before the eyes of the child every day for a whole week? No fear of his not knowing what the lesson is about when Sabbath comes.

It is most important that the memory portion should be taught the child. Children's memories are quick, and what a store of knowledge can be laid up even before they leave the Infant Class! As for the lesson hymn, they will learn it quickly, and almost all children love to sing.

Is this thought to be too heavy a programme for the home? It ought not to be so. Fathers and mothers can have no better employment than teaching their children the things of God, and the younger the child the more precious the opportunity, and the more urgent the need of doing all that can be done. The tenderest years are the golden age for religious impression.

As to the use to be made of the PRIMARY QUARTERLY and LEAFLET by the teacher, it should be imperative that they are not to be brought to the class by the scholars. This is a rule, not only for the Primary classes, but for the whole school. The text book for the Sabbath School—and this cannot be too often repeated or taken too much to heart—is not the Lesson Help, but the Bible, the great Book itself. Even when the children cannot read, the Bible, not the Lesson Help, should be in the teacher's hand.

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mastered the lesson as given in the QUARTERLY before coming to the class. This is what the little ones have been studying at home. Their teacher should be familiar with the ground they have gone over. The children will be delighted to find that the teacher, too, knows *their* lesson.

And the teacher should not forget to ask the children some of the very questions that their QUARTERLY gives. Children love to repeat what they know. There should be a repeating, too, of the "I have learned to-day" and of the Catechism, either the Primary, which is for the very little ones, or the Shorter for children somewhat older. The Lesson Hymn, also, should be said or sung. Many of the children will commit it to memory week by week, if encouraged to do so.

It need hardly be said that this is not to be the whole of the teaching. Every teacher has his or her own way of presenting the truth. The best teachers will cry out the most earnestly for liberty, and it will be disastrous to less experienced teachers if they come to rely on the Lesson Helps. Study your lesson quite independently; get the best assistance from every quarter available; work out your own plan; but do not forget that the little ones have been studying their lesson too, and that you will reach them quickest by starting from this common ground.

Turn the page, and you will see one of the faces of the little Century Fund Savings Bank and the address from which it may be procured. Every child in the Church should have a "Souvenir Bank." Its four faces are four lessons on what God has done for our Church and what we ought to do for His great Name. Even the "wee ones" should be taught these lessons. And they should be encouraged to earn and save, that they may have their share in the great Million which the Church is gathering. It will be a joy to them to get their Bank fuller and fuller, and when the day for opening them in the Sabbath School comes, it will be a day to be remembered for a life time. Our nearly 200,000 Sabbath School scholars will be perfectly amazed at what they can do.

The Privilege of Obedience

By Rae Furlands

We often hear about "Children's Rights," but not too often, for children have rights which are frequently ignored. A question might be raised, however, as to what these "rights" consist of. It is not the purpose of this article to discuss more than one, and that one is the right or privilege of obedience—the one which is, perhaps, more frequently than others, neglected.

If the little ones are not taught to give a quick and cheerful response to the commands of their parents, how can they learn to obey God?

We have the highest example, for we read that Jesus, as a boy, was "subject unto" His parents, and that the man Christ Jesus was "obedient even unto death" at the will of His Heavenly Father.

Paul says, in his letter to the Colossians, "Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord," and in the next sentence adds, "Fathers (which includes mothers, teachers and guardians), provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged." It is as much our privilege to obey this latter command as it is that of the children to obey the former, and in order to do it, it is absolutely necessary to refrain from issuing a command when we ourselves are feeling angry. All who have had much to do with little folk, know how often things occur which call forth at least momentary indignation, but by the grace of God and continued practice, we can overcome it.

It is the natural instinct of little children to obey just commands, properly given.

As they grow a little older, they delight to feel their own power and exercise it. It is right that they should, and opportunity should be given them to do so, but not at the expense of their learning to disobey.

Where the results are not likely to be too serious, it is well to allow them to judge and act for themselves, even though they may choose the opposite of that which you would have selected for them. They learn by experience (ever the surest teacher) that their

own way is not always best. But where you, with your wisdom and experience, can see that the outcome would be detrimental to health or character, then it is right that you should interpose and lay upon them your commands.

Though there are occasions when it is well to give a reason for an order or request, it is not always, or often, wise to do so.

One cold, wet autumn morning, Frank's mother desired him to wear his overcoat to school. Like many other boys, Frank has a decided aversion to overcoats, and did not want to put it on. His mother insisted, urging that he would be sick if he did not. Though Frank had the will, he had not the bodily strength to openly resist, so he wore the coat until out of sight of the house, then took it off. When he arrived at school he was thoroughly wet, and remained so until his clothing gradually dried on him. As he was not taken ill either that day or the next, he came to the conclusion that he was wiser than his mother, or that she had spoken untruthfully. In either case, his respect for her was lessened. About three weeks afterwards he was down with diphtheria; but as children live only in the present, he never thought of connecting it with his disobedience of a few weeks before. Had Frank been taught from babyhood to give unquestioning obedience, the parents would in all probability have been spared much expense and great sorrow, for a younger brother contracted the disease from him, and was taken away, though Frank is now recovering.

No hard and fast rules can be laid down for teaching children to be obedient, for some things which would help one individual would hinder another, so different are dispositions even in the same family.

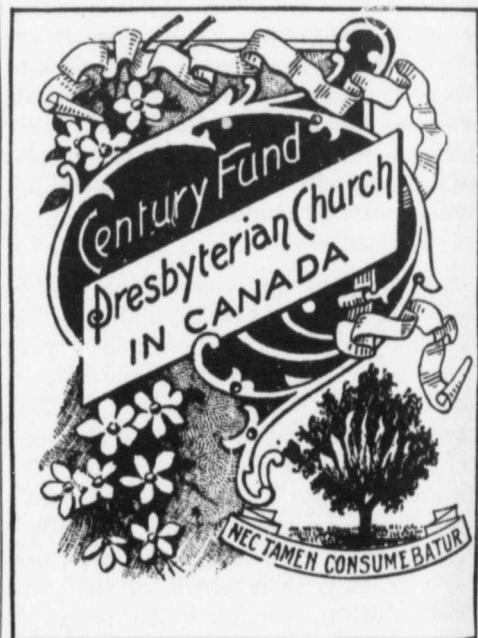
As parents and teachers, we must study the child, and, above all, seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

The experience of one family may be given. When the first little child was born, the father and mother decided that, with God's help, they would never allow it to hear an impatient word from either, and

that implicit obedience should be expected and required. (There is a great deal in expecting, and patiently waiting for it.) The mother, especially, by nature was very quick-tempered, so that it was no easier for her to carry out her desire than it would be for anyone else.

Six little ones were given, some of whom have now attained young manhood and young womanhood. I have spent several weeks at a time in their home, and never on any occasion heard a sharp word spoken in it, or seen an act of wilful disobedience. The older the children grow, the more do they find it a pleasure to obey such pleasantly spoken requests as they hear from their parents.

There need not be the slightest doubt as to which is the truly happy—the cheerfully obedient child, or the one who is allowed to take his own way.



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This Quarter's Lessons

A general pre-view of the lessons is of great help to parents and teachers. This column is for them—not for the little ones—except the table with which it closes, which the children should learn by heart, one title each Sabbath, repeating also Sabbath by Sabbath those already memorized.

Our good old Shorter Catechism sums up all Christ's "offices" as our Redeemer in these three—that of a Prophet, of a Priest and of a King. We have already seen Him as a Prophet or Teacher, and many of His discourses are still to be studied. When we come to the closing days of His earthly ministry, we shall discover more as to His priestly office—how He intercedes with God for men, and how He gave Himself as the great sacrifice for the sin of the world.

This Quarter Christ is chiefly before us as a King. He tells us of what sort His kingdom is, how strangely different from the kingdoms of this world, and how much greater and more abiding than they. He shows who are and who are not members of His kingdom, what its laws are, and in what ways it may be extended. We have samples of the King's wrath and pity. We see Him scorned and honored, and we witness the sending forth of the first messengers of the kingdom.

The GOLDEN TEXT for the quarter is
"THY KINGDOM COME,"

and in the several lessons we have—

1. The King's Own, Matt. 4: 25—5: 12.
2. The King's Law, Matt. 7: 1-14.
3. The King's Life-giving Power, Mark 5: 22-24, 35-43.
4. The King's Pity, Luke 7: 1-10.
5. King Jesus, Luke 7: 18-28.
6. The King's Wrath and Mercy, Matt. 11: 20-30.
7. The King Scorned and Loved, Luke 7: 36-50.
8. The King's Word and how Received, Matt. 13: 1-8 and 18-23.
9. The King's Field and Garden, Matt. 13: 24-33.
10. The King's Messengers, Matt. 9: 35—10: 8.
11. The King's Service and its Cost, Mark 6: 14-29.
12. The King's Bounty, John 6: 5-14.
13. The King's Kingdom—REVIEW.

Lesson I.

THE BEATITUDES

April 1, 1900

Matt. 4: 25 to 5: 12—Memory Verses, 3-9

Golden Text—Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.—Matt. 5: 8.

And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decap'olis, and from Jeru'salem, and from Judæ'a, and from bey'nd Jor'dan.

Ch. 5: 1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

3 Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

7 Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

8 Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

10 Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

THE LESSON REPEATED

All day long crowds of people followed Jesus, so that very often He had no time to eat or sleep. But sometimes in the evenings He would walk away alone to the top of a mountain and spend the whole night in prayer with His Heavenly Father.

One morning when He was coming down the steep hillside He saw crowds of people gathered again to hear Him. The disciples were there and strangers from Jerusalem and across the Jordan, and many others whom Jesus had cured, with their friends, all anxiously waiting to hear His words.

Then Jesus sat down just where He was, on a ledge of rock, and began to preach.

He used one word a great many times. It was the word Blessed, meaning happy and holy.

He said: Blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are they that mourn, blessed are the meek and the hungry and thirsty, and the merciful, and the pure in heart and the peacemakers, and they that get into trouble for doing what is right—because all these things are the true marks of God's children. Remember how God's servants, the prophets had to suffer for the same things.

The people were surprised to hear Jesus call the sad and the meek and the poor happy. Nobody had preached such things

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before, and in order that every person in the world might know and remember the greatest sermon that was ever preached, Matthew wrote it all down in the Bible.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who came to Jesus on the mountain-side? Ans. Crowds of people from all over the country. 2. Why did they follow Him? Ans. To hear his words. 3. What did Jesus speak to them about? Ans. About happiness. 4. What is His sermon called? Ans. The Sermon on the Mount. 5. What does "blessed" mean? Ans. Happy and holy. 6. Whom did Jesus call blessed? Ans. The merciful and peacemakers and many others. 7. Why did He call these happy? Ans. Because they are pleasing to God. 8. What did Jesus say about those who get into trouble for doing right? Ans. Be glad, for great is your reward in Heaven. 9. Who wrote down this sermon in the Bible? Ans. Matthew. 10. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Miss V. Robinson **A Little Peacemaker**

Robert is only six years old, yet he has come to see how very disagreeable quarrelling is. Once two children much older than himself were quarrelling. He watched them awhile, his eyes growing graver and larger; then he stepped up to them and said, "Let there be perfic' silenks!"

No one can make him quarrel, and if he hears others using harsh and angry words, he always tries to stop them.

And there was.



I HAVE LEARNED TO-DAY THAT **The Pure in Heart shall see God**

Wm. Johnston



Primary Catechism—79. Why should we go to a place of worship on the Lord's day?

Because God's word tells us that we should, and because it helps us to be good.

80. What example did Jesus give us in this matter?

It was His custom to go to the place of worship on the Sabbath day.

Shorter Catechism—15. What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?

A. The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.

Lesson Hymn

More like Jesus would I be,
Let my Saviour dwell with me,
Fill my soul with peace and love,
Make me gentle as the dove.

More like Jesus! while I go
Pilgrim in this world below,
Poor in spirit would I be—
Let my Saviour dwell in me.

Amen.

—Hymn 524, Book of Praise

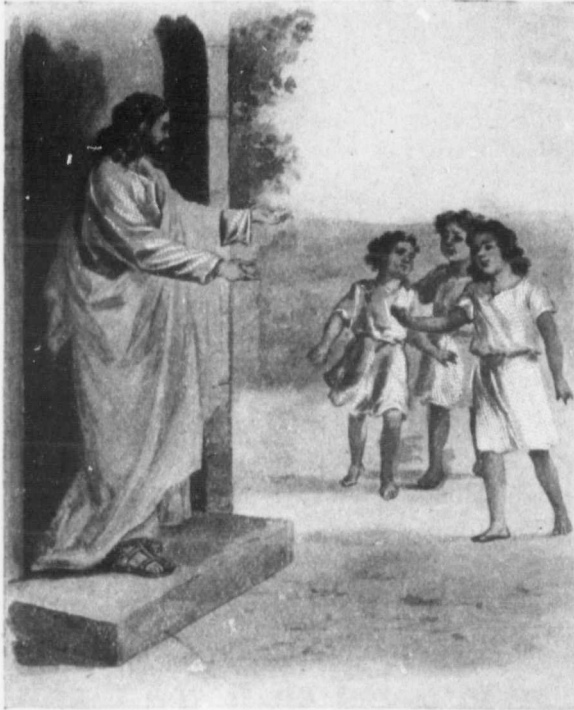
Lesson II.

PRECEPTS AND PROMISES

April 8, 1900

Matt. 7: 1-14—Memory Verses, 7, 8, 13, 14

Golden Text—Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7: 12.



1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.

2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?

5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

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THE LESSON RETOLD

In His sermon on the mount, Jesus explained to the people how His followers must act towards others.

He said—Do not set yourselves up as judges of other men. Act fairly to the people you know and God will be fair to you. Be honest, and you will be treated honestly. Do not be a hypocrite and try to pick out and be angry with the faults in your brother that are as small as specks of dust, when

your own are like great splashes of mud. The only way to really help any one to do right is to first be right yourself.

Do not be careless with holy things. Some people thought that Jesus' way was too hard.

But He said—God is your loving Father. He has promised His help to all who knock and ask at His door.

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whose boy asked for bread or fish and got instead a stone or a serpent? God is as kind as any father or mother, and much more so. But His children should do to each other as they would wish to be treated themselves. This is the Golden Rule. It is like one great law with all the others inside of it.

Now, said Jesus, there are two kinds of people in the world, those who follow My

way, and those who go in their own way. My way is hard and the gate is narrow. Many miss it altogether. But it leads to eternal life.

The other way has a wide gate and an easy path, but it leads to destruction. Many are going there. Let every one of you try hard to find the narrow gate, and to walk in the narrow way. It is the way to heaven.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What did Jesus say about finding fault with others? Ans. He said, Judge not and you will not be judged. 2. How did Jesus say to treat others? Ans. Honestly and fairly. 3. What did He call those who looked for faults in others and could not see their own? Ans. Hypocrites. 4. What is a hypocrite? Ans. One who pretends to be better than he really is. 5. What kind of a Father is God? Ans. He is more kind and loving than any earthly parent. 6. Who said

so? Ans. Jesus Himself. 7. What has God promised to those who knock? Ans. All good things. 8. What two kinds of gates and roads did Jesus speak about? Ans. The wide and the narrow. 9. Which is His way? Ans. The narrow way. 10. Where does it lead? Ans. To life eternal. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. 12. What are these words often called? Ans. The Golden Rule.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

The Golden Rule



Primary Catechism—81. For what purpose do we go to the house of God?

We go to worship God with His people.

82. How do we worship God when we go to His house?

We worship God by praise, prayer, the reading and preaching of God's Word, and by our offerings.

Shorter Catechism—16. Did all mankind fall in Adam's first transgression?

A. The covenant being made with Adam, not only for himself, but for his posterity; all mankind descending from him, by ordinary generation, sinned in him, and fell with him, in his first transgression.

Lesson Hymn

Lamb of God, I look to Thee—
Thou shalt my example be;
Thou art gentle, meek and mild;
Thou wast once a little child.

Fain I would be as Thou art;
Give me Thy obedient heart;
Thou art pitiful and kind,
Let me have Thy loving mind.

I shall then show forth Thy praise,
Serve Thee all my happy days;
Then the world shall always see
Christ the holy Child, in me.

Amen.

—Hymn 523, Book of Praise

Lesson III.

THE DAUGHTER OF JAIRUS RAISED

April 15, 1900

Mark 5 : 22-24 ; 35-43—Memory Verses, 39-42

Golden Text—Be not afraid, only believe.—Matt. 28 : 6.

ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.

40 And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying.

41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Tali'tha cu'mi ; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.

42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked ; for she was of the age of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.

43 And he charged them straitly that no man should know it ; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Once when Jesus was sitting teaching in Matthew's house a man rushed in and fell at His feet, begging Him to come and cure his little daughter who was dying. It was Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue. He was perfectly certain that Jesus was able to make his child well.

Jesus got right up. The people in the room followed and crowds joined them in the street, for everybody knew Jairus and wanted

to see what Jesus would do for him.

On the way to the house Jesus took time to heal a sick woman who crept up behind Him, and touched His clothes.

While He was speaking to her, Jairus' servants met him and said, "Your daughter is dead. It is no use to trouble the Teacher to come now." Jesus said to Jairus, "Only trust Me."

At the house the people who made a living

22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jai'rus by name ; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,

23 And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death : I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed ; and she shall live.

24 And Je'sus went with him ; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

35 While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is dead : why troublest thou the Master any further ?

36 As soon as Je'sus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.

37 And he suffered no man to follow him, save Pe'ter, and James, and John the brother of James.

38 And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.

39 And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make

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by howling and crying at funerals were beginning their work. Jesus was not pleased with these pretenders and said, "What are you making such a noise for? The little girl is not dead. She is sleeping." But they only laughed, for they knew she was white and cold.

Then Jesus put everybody out except the father and mother and His three friends.

He then took the dead child's hand saying,

"Little maid, arise," and at once she got up and walked across the room. She was twelve years old.

How surprised the parents were! They had not supposed that Jesus could do such a wonder. They almost forgot their little daughter. But Jesus said kindly, "See! She must be hungry. Go and bring her some food." She was not only alive again, but all at once quite well.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who was Jairus? Ans. A ruler of the synagogue. 2. Why did he come to Jesus? Ans. Because he believed that Jesus could cure his little girl. 2. Did Jesus go with him? Ans. Yes, at once. 4. On the way who met them? Ans. Jairus' servants. 5. What bad news had they? Ans. That the child was dead. 6. What did Jesus say then? Ans. Only trust Me. 7. When they got to the house, who were there? Ans. The funeral mourners. 8. What did Jesus say to them? Ans. She is not dead; she is

sleeping. 9. Did they believe Him? Ans. No. 10. Whom only did Jesus allow to see what He would do? Ans. The father and the mother and Peter and James and John. 11. What did Jesus say to the little dead girl? Ans. Little maid, I say, arise. 12. Did she hear Him? Ans. Yes, she got up alive and walked. 13. How old was she? Ans. Twelve years old. 14. How did Jesus show his thoughtfulness? Ans. He said, "Give her something to eat." 15. What is the Golden Text? Be not afraid, only believe.

Easter Carol

The world is filled with gladness,
The bells of Easter ring;
Each pure white lily's waking
To welcome infant spring.

Oh, dear little children, listen
And hear what the glad bells say!
The sweetest chime they ever rang—
"Our Lord is risen to-day!"

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is the Life-giver

Primary Catechism—83. What promise has Jesus given to those who meet for his worship?

Jesus has promised to be wherever two or three meet together in His name.

Shorter Catechism—17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

Lesson Hymn

O Jesus, King most wonderful!
Thou Conqueror renowned!
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found!

O Jesus, Light of all below!
Thou Fount of life and fire!
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire.

Amen.

—Hymn 177, Book of Praise

Lesson IV.

THE CENTURION'S SERVANT HEALED

April 22, 1900

Luke 7 : 1-10—Memory Verses, 9, 10

Golden Text—Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.—Ps. 103 : 13.



1 Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Je'sus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Je'sus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this :

5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Je'sus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself : for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof :

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee : but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth ; and to another, Come,

and he cometh ; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

9 When Je'sus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Is'rael.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

THE LESSON RETOLD

There was someone besides Jairus in Capernaum who badly needed Jesus' help.

It was a strong soldier, or centurion, as he was called. He was not ill himself, but he had a faithful slave whom he loved greatly, and who was dying.

This centurion knew that Jesus had just come back from preaching and working wonderful cures in other places. He thought—There is a chance of getting Him to come, if only some one very good and great would tell Him about my sick servant.

So he got the elders of the church to go

and find Jesus. They begged hard for Him to come, and told what a kind man the centurion was, and though he was not a Jew, how he had given enough money to pay for building them a synagogue.

When Jesus heard of the sick man, He said at once, "I will go and cure him."

When the centurion saw Jesus coming, he began to feel that he was not good enough even to speak to Jesus or to have Him come into his house, so he sent some friends with a message, saying, "Lord, do not trouble coming further, for I know that you

are able to cure my servant where you are. Just speak, and he will be well; for I myself am a captain, and if I want anything done, I have only to speak to my servant, and he obeys me."

When Jesus heard the centurion's message, Luke says, He wondered at him, and said to

those who followed Him, "I have not seen such strong faith, no, not even among the Jews, God's own people." Jesus was glad as well as surprised to find such faith.

Then the messengers went back to the house, and found the servant well, who had been sick.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Whom did the centurion send to beg for Jesus' help? Ans. The elders of the church. 2. Why did he not go himself? Ans. He thought he was not good enough. 3. Who was ill? Ans. The soldier's servant. 4. What did the elders say of the centurion? Ans. That he was a good man, and had given money to build them a church. 5. Did Jesus go when He heard of the sick slave? Ans. Yes. 6. When He came near the house, who met Him? Ans. Messengers from the centurion. 7. What word had their master sent to Jesus? Ans. I am not

good enough to have you in my house. 8. What else did he say? Ans. Speak the word only, and my servant shall be well. 9. What did Jesus say to this? Ans. He said, "I have not seen such strong faith even among the Jews, God's own people." 10. Was the centurion a Jew? Ans. No. 11. When the messengers went back to the house, what did they find? Ans. The servant well who had been sick. 12. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

The Lord Pitieth them that Fear Him

Primary Catechism—84. What is the fifth commandment?

The fifth commandment is, "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

Shorter Catechism—18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called Original Sin: together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Lesson Hymn

What a friend we have in Jesus,

All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry

Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit,

O what needless pain we bear,

All because we do not carry

Everything to God in prayer.

Amen.

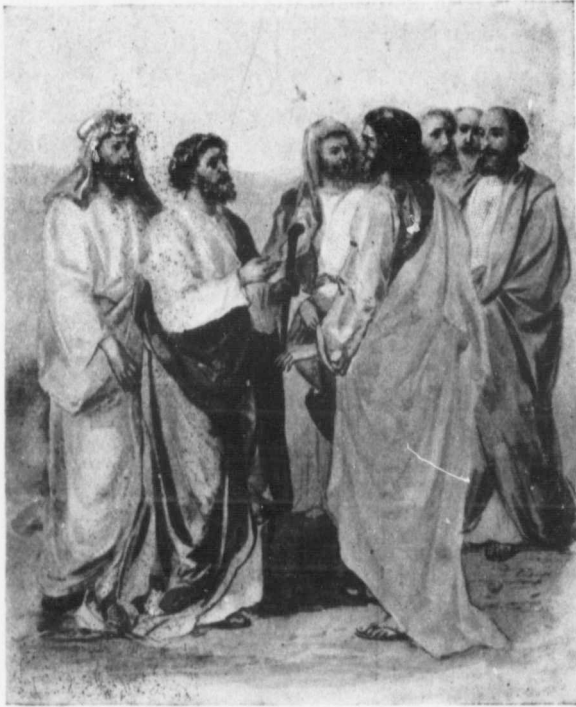
—Hymn 404, Book of Praise

Lesson V.

JESUS AND JOHN THE BAPTIST

April 29, 1900

Luke 7 : 18-28—Memory Verses, 22, 23

Golden Text—He hath done all things well.—Mark 7 : 37.

shaken with the wind? 25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously appavelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.

26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet.

27 This is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist : but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Soon after John the Baptist had baptized Jesus in the Jordan, he was shut up in prison by the wicked King Herod. He was often sad and lonely. He heard nothing of Jesus for a long time and began to wonder if He could have been the Saviour after all.

One day the news of Jesus' strange cures reached John's disciples and they told their master how everybody was talking of Jesus. "They say He is a prophet and can raise the dead. He must be God Himself". Then

John sent two of his friends to Jesus to ask, "Art thou He that should come or is it some-one else?"

John's friends found Jesus very busy. He did not answer their questions at once. He was standing among a crowd of sick people who had plagues and evil spirits and other sicknesses. When Jesus had made everybody well, He turned to the messengers and said, "Go and tell John just what you have seen and heard; how the blind see and the

18 And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.

19 And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Je'sus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

21 And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight.

22 Then Je'sus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

23 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

24 And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out in the wilderness for to see? A reed

lame walk, the lepers are made clean, the deaf hear, the dead are made alive again, and the poor have the good news preached to them. And blessed is he who does not doubt and misunderstand Me."

John's friends were sure now that Jesus was the Savior and hurried away to comfort their master.

When they were gone, Jesus began to speak to the people about John the Baptist. Every-

body remembered John's great sermons in the wilderness. Many believed that he was a prophet. Jesus said, "He is the greatest prophet that ever lived. He is much more than a prophet. He is God's messenger, who has made ready for the Son of God. But now that I have come, even the youngest and weakest person who believes in Me is wiser than the prophets," because the Kingdom of God has really come.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What good man who was shut up in prison heard of Jesus' wonders? Ans. John the Baptist. 2. What did he do? Ans. He sent two friends to ask Jesus if He were the Christ. 3. What did they find Jesus doing? Ans. Busy among the poor and the sick. 4. Did Jesus stop and talk much to them? Ans. No. He went right on with His work. 5. When that was done, what did He say? Ans. Go and tell John what you have seen. 6. What had they seen? Ans. Lepers made

clean, the lame and deaf cured, and the poor listening to the gospel. 7. Were they sure now that Jesus was the Savior? Ans. Yes. 8. When they were gone, what did Jesus say of John the Baptist? Ans. He is greater than the greatest prophet that ever lived. 9. But who are greater than the prophets? Ans. Those who know Jesus. 10. Why? Ans. Because the Kingdom of God has really come. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. He hath done all things well.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is my King

Primary Catechism—85. What is it to honor our father and mother?

To honor our father and mother is to love and obey them.

Shorter Catechism—19. What is the misery of that estate wherinto man fell.

All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

Lesson Hymn

We'll bring Him hearts that love Him,
We'll bring Him thankful praise,
And young souls meekly striving
To walk in holy ways:
And these shall be the treasures
We offer to the King,
And these are gifts that even
The poorest child may bring.

Amen.

—Hymn 535, Book of Praise

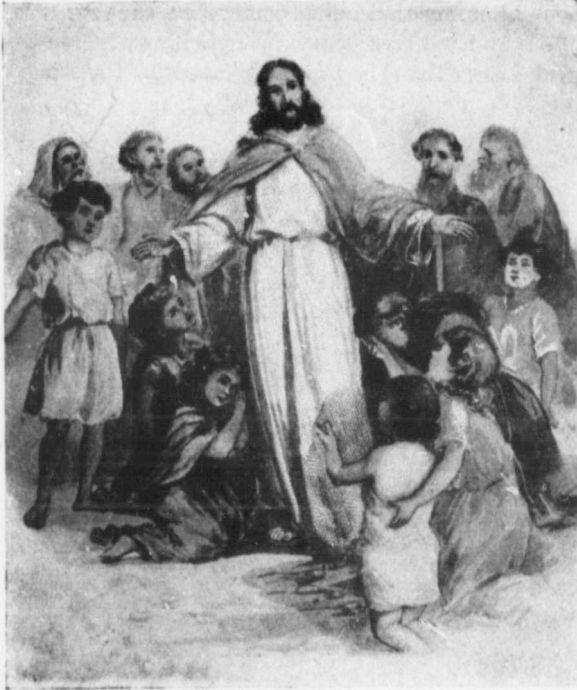
Lesson VI.

JESUS WARNING AND INVITING

May 6, 1900

Matt. 11 : 20-30—Memory Verses, 28-30

Golden Text—Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matt. 11 : 28.



26 Even so, Father : for so it seemed good in thy sight.

27 All things are delivered unto me of my Father : and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father ; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.

28 Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me ; for I am meek and lowly in heart : and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Though Jesus was so gentle and loving, He was strong and fearless as well.

One day He was speaking of the busy northern towns where He had been preaching and working so many miracles.

He said, "There is trouble in store for Chorazin and Bethsaida. Woe unto these cities because they have not believed in Me. Woe unto wicked Capernaum which has seen more wonders than any other city and still rejects the Son of God. These places will have greater punishment even than Sodom, the

20 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not :

21 Woe unto thee, Chora'zin ! woe unto thee, Beth'sai'da ! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Si'don, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

22 But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Si'don at the day of judgment, than for you.

23 And thou, Caper'naum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell : for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sod'om, it would have remained until this day.

24 But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sod'om in the day of judgment, than for thee.

25 At that time Je'sus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

city on which God rained fire from heaven for its sins."

"Why," said Jesus, "If Tyre and Sidon, two of the wickedest places that ever were, had seen what Capernaum has seen, they would have repented long ago."

"But," said Jesus, "I thank Thee, O My Heavenly Father, that though the proud and learned will not hear Me, yet Thy word is simple enough even for the youngest child."

Every day Jesus met those who wanted

His help and who believed that He was God. How glad He was to help them !

This is what He said to the tired and helpless who came to get rid of their sins and their burdens. "Come unto Me, all ye that

labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me for I am meek and lowly in heart : and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Where did Jesus work many of His miracles? Ans. In Capernaum and at Chorazin and Bethsaida. 2. Did all the people in these places believe on Him? Ans. No. 3. What did Jesus mean by saying, "Woe unto these cities"? Ans. He meant that God would punish them. 4. What other places had been punished for sin? Ans. Sodom and Tyre and Sidon. 5. For what did Jesus thank His Heavenly Father? Ans. That, although the proud would not listen to Him,

yet the children could know and love Him. 6. What invitation did Jesus give to those whose hearts were sad and weary? Ans. He said, "Come unto Me." 7. What did Jesus say about Himself? Ans. I am meek and lowly in heart. 8. What kind of a yoke and burden does He promise? Ans. An easy and light one. 9. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Rest

Harold had had such a busy day. All the forenoon he had rolled down the terraces over and over and over again with his dog. After dinner he went out to fly his kite. There was a great breeze and the kite went up almost out of sight. Then his cousins, Charlie

and Jack, came and they played together until after tea. "I'm so tired, mamma," he said, when the cousins were gone. Very tenderly his mother carried him up to his little bed and with her loving kiss on his lips, he was almost instantly fast asleep.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is Merciful

Primary Catechism—86. Which is the sixth commandment ?

The sixth commandment is, "Thou shalt not kill."

87. What did Jesus say about the sixth commandment ?

Jesus said this commandment is broken by all angry passions.

Shorter Catechism—20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery ?

A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Lesson Hymn

If I come to Jesus,
He will make me glad ;
He will give me pleasure,
When my heart is sad.

*If I come to Jesus,
Happy I shall be,
He is gently calling
Little ones like me.*

If I come to Jesus,
He will hear my prayer,
For he loves me dearly,
And my sins did bear.

Amen.

—Hymn 553, Book of Praise

Lesson VII.

JESUS AT THE PHARISEE'S HOUSE

May 13, 1900

Luke 7: 36-50—Memory Verses, 44-47

Golden Text—Thy faith hath saved thee.—Luke 7: 50.

36 And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment.

38 And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.

39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this is* that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.

40 And Jesus answering said unto him, Si'mon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

41 There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty.

42 And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me, therefore, which of them will love him most?

43 Si'mon answered and said, I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Si'mon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.

48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

THE LESSON RETOLD

A proud Pharisee, whose name was Simon, invited Jesus to dinner.

While they were at the table, a woman who had been very bad came in. She was sorry for her sin and wished to do

better. The tears were running down her cheeks. She came up behind Jesus and began to wash His feet with her tears and to wipe them with her long hair. Then she poured sweet-smelling perfume over them to

show how much she loved Him.

Simon was angry. He said to himself: "This Jesus is no prophet or he would not allow such a bad woman to touch Him." Jesus knew Simon's thought and said "Simon, I have something to tell you. Once there was a rich man to whom two of his servants owed money. One owed him five hundred pieces of money, the other only fifty. Neither could pay, so their master freely and kindly forgave them. Which of the two would love him most?" "Ah," said Simon, "the one to whom he forgave most." "Yes," said Jesus, "It is the same

with this woman. When I came to your house you offered Me no water to bathe My feet. But she has washed them with her tears. You gave Me no kind greeting, but this woman has covered My feet with precious ointment. Because of her great love, her many sins are forgiven, but to whom little is forgiven the same loveth little." Turning to the woman herself Jesus said, "Your sins are indeed forgiven. Go in peace. Your faith has saved you." Simon's friends began to mutter to one another, "He says He can forgive sins. Who can this man be? Surely no one but God can forgive sins."

See!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1 Who invited Jesus to dinner? Ans. Simon, the Pharisee. 2. Who came in while Jesus was there? Ans. A woman who had been a sinner. 3. Was she sorry for her wickedness? Ans. Yes. 4. What did she do to show her love for Jesus? Ans. She poured tears and precious ointment on His feet, and wiped them with her hair. 5. Who was angry? Ans. Simon, the Pharisee.

6. What did he say to himself? Ans. Jesus should not be seen speaking to such a woman. 7. What did Jesus say to Simon about her? Ans. That she had treated Him better than Simon had. 8. What did Jesus say about her sins? Ans. They are forgiven. 9. Who did Jesus say love Him most? Ans. Those to whom He has forgiven most. 10. The Golden Text? Ans. Thy faith hath saved thee.



See!

I HAVE LEARNED TO-DAY TO

Love Jesus above all else



Primary Catechism—88. Which is the seventh commandment?

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

89. What did Jesus say about the seventh commandment?

Jesus said this commandment is broken by all impure thoughts.

Shorter Catechism—21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.

Lesson Hymn

Saviour, teach me day by day
Love's sweet lesson to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be—
Loving him who first loved me.

With a childlike heart of love
At Thy bidding may I move;
Prompt to serve and follow Thee—
Loving Him who first loved me.

Amen.

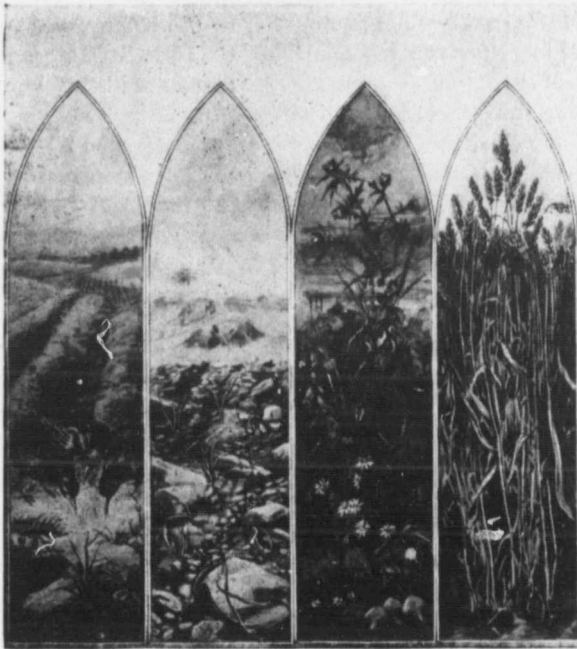
—Hymn 575, Book of Praise

Lesson VIII.

PARABLE OF THE SOWER

May 20, 1900

Matt. 13 : 1-8 and 18-23—Memory Verses, 22, 23

Golden Text—The seed is the word of God.—Luke 8 : 2.

1 The same day went Je'sus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.

2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat ; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow ;

4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up :

5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth : and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth :

6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched ; and because they had no root, they withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns ; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them :

8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

18 Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it ;

21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while : for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word ; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it ; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Sometimes Jesus taught the people by stories. These stories always had a heavenly meaning. They were called parables.

One day Jesus was sitting on the sea-shore. Soon great crowds of people flocked around Him. In order that everybody could hear, Jesus went and sat in a little boat not far from land, and began to preach, and this is

what He said :—

There was once a farmer who went out in the spring to sow his grain, and as he scattered it hither and thither, it fell in all kinds of places. Some fell on wayside paths, hard beaten and narrow, and the birds came quickly and ate it up.

Some fell on stony ground where the earth

was shallow. Here it grew quickly, but because it had no roots, the hot sun soon withered it.

Some seeds fell among thorns which grew up and choked the tender plants to death.

But some fell on good ground—well-ploughed land—and yielded a splendid harvest, to pay the farmer for his trouble.

When the people had gone Jesus told his disciples the meaning of the story.

The different kinds of ground are pictures of four kinds of hearts. The seed is the word of God.

The man who pays no heed to God's message has the "wayside" heart, where Satan snatches away the truth as soon as it is heard. The "stony ground" heart has no roots, and is willing to please Jesus only when it is easy and pleasant.

The "thorny ground" heart has no room for Jesus' love. It is too busy with other things and God is pushed right out.

But the good heart, like the good ground, will bring forth good fruit, some more, some less, but all pleasing to God who will some day gather in His harvest.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is a parable? Ans. A story with a heavenly meaning. 2. Where was Jesus when He told the parable of the sower? Ans. In a boat speaking to the people on shore. 3. On what kinds of poor soil did seed fall? Ans. On the pathway, on stony ground and among thorns. 4. Where did the farmer's crop come from? Ans. From good ground. 5. What are the four kinds of soil pictures of? Ans. Of four kinds of hearts. 6. What is a careless heart like? Ans. The wayside ground. 7. What is an unwilling heart like? Like stony ground. 8. What does the thorny ground mean? Ans. A heart too busy for God. 9. Like what is the good ground? Ans. Like the heart which loves and serves Jesus. 10. Who will gather in the harvest? Ans. God. 11. What is the good seed? Ans. Golden text: The seed is the word of God.

My Garden

My heart is God's little garden
Which I must keep with care;
No naughty thoughts or angry deeds
Must ever enter there.

There's a fence around the garden
To be built of faith and prayer.
May the seeds of the Master's planting
Bear fruit and blossoms fair!

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Hear and Obey God's Word

Primary Catechism—90. Which is the eighth commandment?

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

Shorter Catechism—22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Lesson Hymn

Do no sinful action,
Speak no angry word,
Ye belong to Jesus,
Children of the Lord.

Christ is your own Master,
He is good and true,
And his little children
Must be holy too.

Amen.

—Hymn 529, Book of Praise

Lesson IX.

PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

May 27, 1900

Matt. 13 : 24-33—Memory Verses, 31, 33

Golden Text—The field is the world.—Matt. 13 : 38.

24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field :

25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

31 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field :

32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

33 Another parable spake he unto them: The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus told some more picture stories or parables to make clear the meaning of His teaching. He said, the kingdom of God is like this:—

There was once a good farmer who spent a whole day sowing the best of seed in his fields. That night, when everybody was asleep, someone who had a grudge against him came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away.

In a few weeks the farmer's servants went to see how their master's crop was coming

on. They were much shocked at what they saw. In among the young wheat plants was growing something that looked a little like wheat, but which they knew at once to be mock-wheat or tares.

They said to their master, "We thought you planted good seed. How is this?" "Some enemy has done it," said he. "Well," said the servants, "Shall we go and root out these weeds?" "Oh no," said the farmer, "You will only pull up the wheat at the same time. Leave them alone until

both are ripe. Then I will say to my harvesters, Take up the tares first and burn them in bundles, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Jesus said also that God's kingdom was like a tiny speck of a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his garden. And it

grew, and it grew, and it grew, until at last it was so large that birds could rest themselves in its branches.

"For the kingdom of heaven," said Jesus, "spreads like the yeast or leaven a woman uses in making bread. A little of it will raise the whole mass."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. How did Jesus make His teaching easy to understand? Ans. By parables. 2. What was the story of the farmer's field a picture of? Ans. Of the kingdom of heaven. 3. What happened in that field? Ans. An enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat. 4. What did the master say about pulling them out? Ans. He said, let them alone until harvest. 5. In harvest, what did he say? Ans. Gather the weeds into bundles and burn them, but store up the wheat in my barn? 6. What else did Jesus

say the kingdom of heaven was like? Ans. Like a tiny grain of mustard seed. 7. Why? Ans. Because though it has a small beginning, it will by and by fill the whole earth. 8. What other parables did Jesus speak about the kingdom of heaven? Ans. The parable of the leaven. 9. What is leaven? Ans. Something put in meal or flour. 10. What does leaven do for the meal or flour? Ans. It spreads until every part is made light. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. The field is the world.

Little Things

A little child I am indeed,
And little do I know;
Much care and help I yet shall need,
That I may wiser grow,
If I would ever hope to do
Things great and good and useful too:

One gentle word that I may speak,
Or one kind loving deed,
May, though a trifle poor and weak,
Prove like a tiny seed;
And who can tell what good may spring
From such a very little thing?

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Beware of the Great Enemy

Primary Catechism—91. Which is the ninth commandment?

The ninth commandment is, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

92. What is it to bear false witness against our neighbor?

It is to say what is not true about others.

Shorter Catechism—23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

Lesson Hymn

O where are the reapers that garner in
The sheaves of the good from the fields of
sin?

With sickle of truth must the work be done,
And no one may rest till the 'harvest
home.'

*We are the reapers! O, who will come,
And share in the glory of the 'harvest home?'*
*O, who will help us to garner in
The sheaves of good from the fields of sin?*

Amen.

—Hymn 454, Book of Praise

Lesson X.

THE TWELVE SENT FORTH

June 3, 1900

Matt. 9: 35 to 10: 8—Memory Verses, 9: 36-38.

Golden Text—It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.—Matt. 10: 20.



35 And Je'sus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they were faint, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plentiful, but the labourers are few;

38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Ch. 10: 1 And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first Si'mon, who is called Pe'ter, and And'rew his brother; James the son of Zeb'edee, and John his brother;

3 Phil'ip, and Barthol'omew; Thom'as, and Matth'ew the publican; James the son of Alphæ'us,

and Lebba'eus, whose surname was Thaddæ'us; 4 Si'mon the Ca'naanite, and Ju'das Iscar'iot, who also betrayed him.

5 These twelve Je'sus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gen'tiles, and into any city of the Samar'itans enter ye not:

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Is'rael.

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

THE LESSON RETOLD

While Jesus was walking about among the towns and villages of Galilee working His wonderful cures and preaching the good news, His disciples were generally with Him.

Though Jesus was so busy talking to the crowds and curing every kind of sickness, yet He spent much time teaching and training these chosen ones for the work they must do.

As Jesus looked sometimes at the numbers

of people who crowded to hear Him, He said to the disciples, "These people are wandering as sheep who have no leader. They are as ready to be taught as ripe grain is to be gathered in harvest. But the harvesters are few. Pray all of you to God to send forth His reapers."

Soon after this Jesus called the twelve disciples to be preachers and to go everywhere saying: "The kingdom of God is near at hand."

These were their names:—Peter and Andrew, John and James, Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew, James the Less and Thaddeus, Simon and Judas.

Some of them were only poor fishermen, but Jesus gave each of them power to do many wonderful works, to heal the sick, to cleanse lepers, to raise the dead, and to cast out evil spirits. Then He told them where

to go. He said, "Go first to all places where there are Jews, for they are the lost sheep whom God has promised to save."

Before they started Jesus gave the disciples many parting warnings and messages. One of them is in to-day's Golden Text: "The Spirit of your Father speaks in you." Another was "Freely ye have received, freely give."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who used to go with Jesus when He went about the villages teaching? Ans. His twelve disciples. 2. What is a disciple? Ans. A learner or pupil. 3. What did Jesus do for His disciples who followed Him? Ans. He taught and trained them. 4. What did he say to them about the people? Ans. He said, "They are as sheep without a shepherd." 5. What did Jesus tell his disciples to pray for? Ans. That God would send reapers into His harvest. 6. Whom

did God send? Ans. These twelve disciples. 7. What was their message? Ans. The kingdom of God is near. 8. What were some of their names? Ans. Peter, James, John and Andrew. 9. Where did Jesus say to preach first? Ans. Among the Jews. 10. Why? Ans. Because they were His own lost sheep. 11. What power did Jesus give His messengers? Ans. Power to do many wonderful works. 12. How did He say to give help? Ans. Freely.

A Free Gift

The only thing that Katy had that she could call her own was "Pet," a little motherless chicken, which was so tame that it followed her wherever she went.

She heard a missionary speak in the church about the little boys and girls in India who had no one to tell them of Jesus, "What can I do to help them, I wonder," she said to herself.

The next morning she said to her mother, "I am going to give 'Pet' to the missionary." "Very well, she's your own. Do

what you like with her."

Mr. Ewan, the minister, was much surprised to see a little girl with a basket and a chicken in it, coming to his house, but he bought the chicken and paid Katy twenty-five cents for it. Just as she was leaving, he said, "I've nobody to take care of the chicken; won't you keep it for me?"

So Katy trudged home, the happiest child in the world. She had "Pet" back again, and had been willing to give her very best to God's work.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Be Glad to tell the Story of Jesus and His Love

Primary Catechism—93. Which is the tenth commandment?

The tenth commandment is, "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's."

94. What is it to covet?

To covet is to have a wrong desire for what belongs to others.

Shorter Catechism—24. How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executeth the office of a prophet in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Lesson Hymn

Hark! the voice of Jesus crying—

"Who will go and work to day?

Fields are white and harvest waiting;

Who will bear the sheaves away?"

Amen.

—Hymn 447, Book of Praise

Lesson XI.

DEATH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 10, 1900

Mark 6 : 14-29—Memory Verses, 21-24

Golden Text—Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. 5 : 18.



14 And king Her'od heard of him; (for his name was spread abroad :) and he said, That John the Bapt'ist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

15 Others said, That it is Eli'as. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.

16 But when Her'od heard thereof, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded : he is risen from the dead.

17 For Her'od himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Hero'dias' sake, his brother Philip's wife : for he had married her.

18 For John had said unto Her'od, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.

19 Therefore Hero'dias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him ; but she could not :

20 For Her'od feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an' holy, and observed him ; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

21 And when a convenient day was come, that Her'od on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Gal'ilee ;

22 And when the daughter of the said Hero'dias came in, and danced, and pleased Her'od and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give it thee.

23 And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto the half of my kingdom.

24 And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask ? And she said, The head of John the Baptist.

25 And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

26 And the king was exceeding sorry ; yet for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.

27 And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought : and he went and beheaded him in the prison,

28 And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel : and the damsel gave it to her mother.

29 And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

THE LESSON RETOLD

When King Herod heard of Jesus' mighty works, he was afraid. He said "I know who He is. He is John the Baptist, whom I wickedly shut up in prison and murdered. He is risen from the dead." Herod had a guilty conscience because he

had killed John.

While John was preaching in the wilderness, Herod had stolen his own brother's wife, Herodias, from her husband; and John had said "You have done wickedly. God is not pleased with your ways."

For this Herodias hated John and got Herod to shut him in prison. Herod himself was partly afraid of the brave and holy prophet but he would not obey his warnings.

One day King Herod gave a birthday party to his great men. At this feast Herodias' daughter came in and danced before the king. Herod was greatly pleased and began to talk in a loud drunken voice and to make

foolish promises. He said "I will give you anything you ask, even to the half of my kingdom." Then the girl ran to her mother and said, "What shall I ask?"

"Go quickly," said the wicked woman, and say, "Give me the head of John the Baptist in a dish."

Herod was terribly ashamed and sorry. But he was afraid his friends would laugh, if he refused to keep his word. So he sent a soldier and brought the girl what she asked for, and she gave it to her mother.

When John's friends heard of it, they came and took away their master's body and laid it in a grave. Then they went and told Jesus.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Whom did King Herod think Jesus was? Ans. John the Baptist risen from the dead.
2. What had Herod done to John? Ans. He had put him in prison.
3. What for? Ans. For telling the king and queen of their wickedness.
4. What did Herod do on his birthday? Ans. He gave a party to his lords.
5. Who pleased the king by dancing? Ans. The daughter of Herodias.
6. What did Herod promise her? Ans. Anything she

liked. 7. What did her mother tell her to ask? Ans. The head of John the Baptist.
8. How did Herod feel? Ans. He was sorry.
9. Why did he do wrong? Ans. He could not bear his friends to laugh at him.
10. What did John's disciples do with his body? Ans. They laid it in a grave.
11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Serving Jesus brings Everlasting Joy



Primary Catechism—95. What did Jesus say the commandments teach us?

Jesus said the commandments teach us to love God with all our heart, and to love others as ourself.

Shorter Catechism—25. How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executeth the office of a priest in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

Lesson Hymn

O, what can little hearts do
To please the King of Heaven?
Our hearts, if God His Spirit send,
Can love and trust their Saviour Friend:
Such grace to mine be given.

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 XII.

THE FEEDING OF FIVE THOUSAND

June 17, 1900

John 6 : 5-14—Memory Verses, 9-12

Golden Text—Give us this day our daily bread.—Matt. 6 : 11.

5 When Je'sus then lifted up *his* eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?

6 And this he said to prove him : for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.

8 One of his disciples, An'drew, Si'mon Pe'ter's brother, saith unto him,

9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes : but what are they among so many?

10 And Je'sus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand.

11 And Je'sus took the loaves ; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down ; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up

the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. 13 Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Je'sus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Late one afternoon, near the time of the passover-feast, Jesus was sitting out of doors on a quiet mountain-side overlooking the sea of Galilee, talking with His disciples.

As He walked up, He saw the crowds of people who had been following Him all day and watching His miracles, coming to hear Him again.

Jesus was sorry for them. He knew they must be tired and hungry. Now there were no shops in the place and though Jesus had His own plan for feeding the people, yet He wanted to see if His disciples believed in Him, so He said to Philip, "Where can we

buy food for these people?"

"Why," said Philip, "We have not money enough. It would take fifty dollars' worth of bread to do it."

"But," said Andrew, "there is a little boy here with a small lunch. He has five little flat loaves and two tiny fish. But what's the use of that among so many?"

Jesus said "Make all the people sit down in good order on the grass." There were five thousand men, not counting the women and children. Then the boy gave Jesus his bread and the fishes and Jesus asked God to bless them and gave the food to the disciples and

they passed it to the people.

Jesus made it more than enough for all. There was even more left; but He said, "Don't waste any." So when everybody had finished, each of the twelve disciples gathered

his basket or wallet full of left-over pieces.

Then Jesus sent the people home, who were all talking of what had happened. They said, "Surely this man is God's promised prophet!"

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Why did so many people follow Jesus? Ans. To see His wonders and hear His words.
 2. Where were they once towards evening? Ans. On a mountain side.
 3. Why was Jesus sorry for them? Because they had been all day without food.
 4. Why could they not buy food? Ans. There were no shops near.
 5. Who told Jesus about the boy with five little loaves and two tiny fish? Ans. Andrew.
 6. What did Jesus say? Ans. Make everybody sit down.
 7. What did Jesus do before passing the food? Ans. He asked God to bless it.
 8. How many people were there? Ans. Five thousand men, besides the women and children.
 9. Was there enough for all? Ans. Yes. There was much left.
 10. How many basket-fuls were saved? Ans. Twelve.
 11. What is such a wonder called? Ans. A miracle.
 12. What did the people say of Jesus? Ans. Surely He is a prophet.
 13. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Give us this day our daily bread.

Fred's Blessing

Fred was the eldest. He was six and Dora was four, and the baby—why, he was only two. So, of course, when papa went away to see his sick brother, Fred was the man of the house.

"Well, my little man, ask a blessing like papa," said mamma, when they were all seated at the dinner table.

So when they had closed their eyes Fred

repeated the little grace they had always said on lunch days in the kindergarten class.

Here it is:—

God is great, God is good,
 And we thank Thee for this food.
 By Thy hand must all be fed;
 Give us, Lord, our daily bread.

Amen.



I HAVE LEARNED
 TO-DAY THAT

All our Blessings Come from God



Primary Catechism—96. Whose help should we ask to keep the commandments?

We should ask God to give us His Holy Spirit to help us to keep His commandments.

Shorter Catechism—26. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executeth the office of a king in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Lesson Hymn

God who made the grass,
 The flower, the fruit, the tree,
 The day and night to pass,
 Careth for me.

God, who sent His Son
 To die on Calvary,
 He, if I lean on Him,
 Will care for me.

Amen.

—Hymn 509, Book of Praise

Lesson XIII.

REVIEW—Second Quarter

June 24, 1900

Golden Text—Thy kingdom come.—Matt. 6 : 10.**Primary Catechism**—Review questions 79-96.**Shorter Catechism**—27. *Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?*

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross ; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

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.*

—Hymn 538, Book of Praise



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

I Should Help to Spread Christ's Kingdom



	Lesson Title	Golden Text
LESSON I.	The Beatitudes.	Blessed are the pure in heart : for they shall see God.—Matt. 5 : 8.
LESSON II.	Precepts and Promises.	Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7 : 12.
LESSON III.	The Daughter of Jairus Raised.	Be not afraid, only believe.—Mark 5 : 36.
LESSON IV.	The Centurion's Servant Healed.	Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.—Ps. 103 : 13.
LESSON V.	Jesus and John the Baptist.	He hath done all things well.—Mark 7 : 37.
LESSON VI.	Jesus Warning and Inviting.	Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matt. 11 : 28.
LESSON VII.	Jesus at the Pharisee's House.	Thy faith hath saved thee.—Luke 7 : 50.
LESSON VIII.	Parable of the Sower.	The seed is the word of God,—Luke 8 : 2.
LESSON IX.	Parables of the Kingdom.	The field is the world.—Matt. 13 : 38.
LESSON X.	The Twelve Sent Forth.	It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.—Matt. 10 : 20.
LESSON XI.	Death of John the Baptist.	Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess ; but be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. 5 : 18.
LESSON XII.	The Feeding of Five Thousand.	Give us this day our daily bread.—Matt. 6 : 11.
LESSON XIII.	Review.	Thy kingdom come.—Matt. 6 : 10.

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.

LESSON I. The Beatitudes.

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Second Quarter, 1900

I. TEACHER—I was glad when they said unto me.

CLASS—Let us go into the house of the Lord.

ALL—Before my words of prayer are said,
 I close my eyes and bow my head ;
 I'll try to think to whom I pray,
 And try to mean the words I say.

II. SILENT PRAYER, followed by The Lord's Prayer.

III. OPENING HYMN.

IV. COLLECTION.

V. BIRTHDAY OFFERING AND PRAYER. This prayer should be more especially for mis-
 sions. If no offering is presented, still have the prayer.

VI. GESTURE HYMN.

VII. RECITE GOLDEN TEXTS for the Quarter, as far as learned.

TEACHER—Of what does the waking earth remind us ?

CLASS—That Christ the Lord is risen.

TEACHER—What do the flowers among the grass say to us ?

CLASS—If God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow
 is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you ?

VIII. THE LESSON for the day, with Golden Text, Lesson Hymn and Catechism.

IX. PRAYER. In simple words and short clauses by the teacher, the children
 repeating after the teacher.

X. SING LESSON HYMN for the Quarter, 538, Book of Praise.

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

XI. IN CONCERT. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and coming in from this
 time forth, and even for evermore.

XII. DISMISSAL.

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The Coming Man

A pair of very chubby legs,
Incased in scarlet hose ;
A pair of little stubby boots,
With rather doubtful toes ;
A little kilt, a little coat—
Cut as a mother can—
And lo ! before us stands in state
The future's "coming man."

His eyes, perchance, will read the stars,
And search the unknown ways ;
Perchance the human heart and soul
Will open to their gaze ;
Perchance their keen and flashing glance
Will be a nation's light—
Those eyes that now are wistful bent
On some "big fellow's kite."

Ah, blessing on those little hands
Whose work is yet undone ;
And blessing on those little feet,
Whose race is yet unrun !
And blessing on the little brain
That has not learned to plan !
Whate'er the future holds in store,
God bless the "coming man."
—Buds of Promise

Our little paper, JEWELS, apparently possesses a characteristic which belongs to most of its little readers, viz., that it finds it easy to win friends. The expectations of the Editor and of the Publication Committee have been more than realized, and the circulation is still increasing. Every day new orders come. It is not for the Editor to praise it, but he will say that the paper-makers, and the engravers, and the printers

have united to make it very beautiful, and his contributors have given some lovely stories. Amongst the pictures, the Smiling Queen was a great favorite. Few had ever seen that picture of Her Majesty before. The Collie Dog had his friends, too. One admirer was willing to give the Editor a good price for the original, if he was for sale. The big Lion made all think of the British Lion, and how strong he is to put down the wrong and defend the right. The Pussy and the Parrot and the Sleepy Babies all had their admirers, and the stories on the Golden Text have interested many little ones in the lesson. The Editor hopes before very long that ALL the Sabbath Schools will have JEWELS.

How to use the Primary Quarterly

This is a word for both parents and teachers, for every parent knows how often a thing needs to be told to a little child before it is remembered, and every teacher knows how valuable an aid in his work or her work the home instruction is.

To both parents and teachers we would say that the PRIMARY QUARTERLY and PRIMARY LEAFLET have this special end in view, that the truth as it is set forth in the particular passages of Scripture under study shall find its way into the mind and heart of the child.

The lesson material is divided into sections, Scripture, exposition, question and answer, illustration, practical, memory and song.

The Scripture is put first because it is the foundation of all the rest. The aim, in the case even of the youngest child, is to see

that what the Bible says is understood and felt.

The exposition takes the familiar form of "The Lesson Retold" and the writer of this portion of the Helps studies the text and commentaries and books upon the Bible and upon the Holy Land as carefully as do the writers for the older scholars. The retold lesson is not simply a parrot like repetition, but it is a recasting or translation of the different facts and truths of the lesson into the language of the child, so as to make them more vivid and more effective.

The Questions and Answers are a most important part. They are for drill, so that the facts may be fastened upon the child's mind and the points made plain.

The little story which usually follows the Questions and Answers is to illustrate some point. It both entertains and instructs.

The picture is intended to teach through the eye, so that even the "wee ones" who who cannot read may be able to make out something "their very own selves."

The one chief practical point is given in big type and should be strongly impressed upon the child.

For Memory there is the Golden Text and the Catechism, and for Song—and it also should be learned by heart, if possible—the Lesson Hymn.

The teacher will see how very valuable a proper preparation of the lesson under an intelligent parent will be. The scholars come with the materials in their minds, and the teacher's task will be largely a task of vivifying and impressing; a more pleasant and profitable task than that of trying to get the attention of a class of little ones who have come without any notion of or interest in their lesson.

The parents also will see how much there is for them to do. The Lesson Retold should be read over and over again to the child until he makes it his own. He should be exercised in the questions and answers—and most children delight to give answers when they know them. Probably they will ask a good many questions, some of which the parent may answer from the Scripture passage, and

many of which will doubtless be beyond answering, for do not our little ones ask strange questions? The child sees deep into the mysteries of God.

There will be no difficulty about the picture or the illustrative story. Probably most of the little children will like to have this read first. Nor should there be any difficulty with the practical point in large type. It might be a good idea to have it printed on a sheet of paper each week in large letters. Print it or let the child print it if he can, and have it put up beside his cot. In the last lesson, for example, of the Quarter just ended, the "I have learned to-day" is "I should come when Jesus calls."

What is more impressive than to have this before the eyes of the child every day for a whole week? No fear of his not knowing what the lesson is about when Sabbath comes.

It is most important that the memory portion should be taught the child. Children's memories are quick, and what a store of knowledge can be laid up even before they leave the Infant Class! As for the lesson hymn, they will learn it quickly, and almost all children love to sing.

Is this thought to be too heavy a programme for the home? It ought not to be so. Fathers and mothers can have no better employment than teaching their children the things of God, and the younger the child the more precious the opportunity, and the more urgent the need of doing all that can be done. The tenderest years are the golden age for religious impression.

As to the use to be made of the PRIMARY QUARTERLY and LEAFLET by the teacher, it should be imperative that they are not to be brought to the class by the scholars. This is a rule, not only for the Primary classes, but for the whole school. The text book for the Sabbath School—and this cannot be too often repeated or taken too much to heart—is not the Lesson Help, but the Bible, the great Book itself. Even when the children cannot read, the Bible, not the Lesson Help, should be in the teacher's hand.

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mastered the lesson as given in the QUARTERLY before coming to the class. This is what the little ones have been studying at home. Their teacher should be familiar with the ground they have gone over. The children will be delighted to find that the teacher, too, knows *their* lesson.

And the teacher should not forget to ask the children some of the very questions that their QUARTERLY gives. Children love to repeat what they know. There should be a repeating, too, of the "I have learned to-day" and of the Catechism, either the Primary, which is for the very little ones, or the Shorter for children somewhat older. The Lesson Hymn, also, should be said or sung. Many of the children will commit it to memory week by week, if encouraged to do so.

It need hardly be said that this is not to be the whole of the teaching. Every teacher has his or her own way of presenting the truth. The best teachers will cry out the most earnestly for liberty, and it will be disastrous to less experienced teachers if they come to rely on the Lesson Helps. Study your lesson quite independently; get the best assistance from every quarter available; work out your own plan; but do not forget that the little ones have been studying their lesson too, and that you will reach them quickest by starting from this common ground.

The Privilege of Obedience

By Rae Furlands

We often hear about "Children's Rights," but not too often, for children have rights which are frequently ignored. A question might be raised, however, as to what these "rights" consist of. It is not the purpose of this article to discuss more than one, and that one is the right or privilege of obedience—the one which is, perhaps, more frequently than others, neglected.

If the little ones are not taught to give a quick and cheerful response to the commands of their parents, how can they learn to obey God?

We have the highest example, for we read that Jesus, as a boy, was "subject unto" His parents, and that the man Christ Jesus was "obedient even unto death" at the will of His Heavenly Father.

Paul says, in his letter to the Colossians, "Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord," and in the next sentence adds, "Fathers (which includes mothers, teachers and guardians), provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged." It is as much our privilege to obey this latter command as it is that of the children to obey the former, and in order to do it, it is absolutely necessary to refrain from issuing a command when we ourselves are feeling angry. All who have had much to do with little folk, know how often things occur which call forth at least momentary indignation, but by the grace of God and continued practice, we can overcome it.

It is the natural instinct of little children to obey just commands, properly given.

As they grow a little older, they delight to feel their own power and exercise it. It is right that they should, and opportunity should be given them to do so, but not at the expense of their learning to disobey.

Where the results are not likely to be too serious, it is well to allow them to judge and act for themselves, even though they may choose the opposite of that which you would have selected for them. They learn by experience (ever the surest teacher) that their

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own way is not always best. But where you, with your wisdom and experience, can see that the outcome would be detrimental to health or character, then it is right that you should interpose and lay upon them your commands.

Though there are occasions when it is well to give a reason for an order or request, it is not always, or often, wise to do so.

One cold, wet autumn morning, Frank's mother desired him to wear his overcoat to school. Like many other boys, Frank has a decided aversion to overcoats, and did not want to put it on. His mother insisted, urging that he would be sick if he did not. Though Frank had the will, he had not the bodily strength to openly resist, so he wore the coat until out of sight of the house, then took it off. When he arrived at school he was thoroughly wet, and remained so until his clothing gradually dried on him. As he was not taken ill either that day or the next, he came to the conclusion that he was wiser than his mother, or that she had spoken untruthfully. In either case, his respect for her was lessened. About three weeks afterwards he was down with diphtheria; but as children live only in the present, he never thought of connecting it with his disobedience of a few weeks before. Had Frank been taught from babyhood to give unquestioning obedience, the parents would in all probability have been spared much expense and great sorrow, for a younger brother contracted the disease from him, and was taken away, though Frank is now recovering.

No hard and fast rules can be laid down for teaching children to be obedient, for some things which would help one individual would hinder another, so different are dispositions even in the same family.

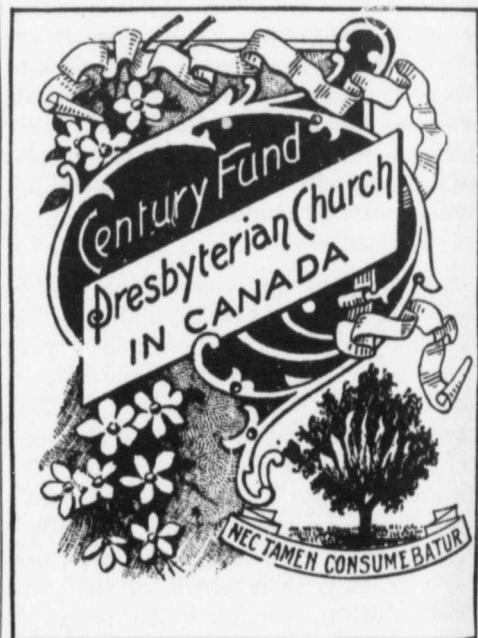
As parents and teachers, we must study the child, and, above all, seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

The experience of one family may be given. When the first little child was born, the father and mother decided that, with God's help, they would never allow it to hear an impatient word from either, and

that implicit obedience should be expected and required. (There is a great deal in expecting, and patiently waiting for it.) The mother, especially, by nature was very quick-tempered, so that it was no easier for her to carry out her desire than it would be for anyone else.

Six little ones were given, some of whom have now attained young manhood and young womanhood. I have spent several weeks at a time in their home, and never on any occasion heard a sharp word spoken in it, or seen an act of wilful disobedience. The older the children grow, the more do they find it a pleasure to obey such pleasantly spoken requests as they hear from their parents.

There need not be the slightest doubt as to which is the truly happy—the cheerfully obedient child, or the one who is allowed to take his own way.



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This Quarter's Lessons

A general pre-view of the lessons is of great help to parents and teachers. This column is for them—not for the little ones—except the table with which it closes, which the children should learn by heart, one title each Sabbath, repeating also Sabbath by Sabbath those already memorized.

Our good old Shorter Catechism sums up all Christ's "offices" as our Redeemer in these three—that of a Prophet, of a Priest and of a King. We have already seen Him as a Prophet or Teacher, and many of His discourses are still to be studied. When we come to the closing days of His earthly ministry, we shall discover more as to His priestly office—how He intercedes with God for men, and how He gave Himself as the great sacrifice for the sin of the world.

This Quarter Christ is chiefly before us as a King. He tells us of what sort His kingdom is, how strangely different from the kingdoms of this world, and how much greater and more abiding than they. He shows who are and who are not members of His kingdom, what its laws are, and in what ways it may be extended. We have samples of the King's wrath and pity. We see Him scorned and honored, and we witness the sending forth of the first messengers of the kingdom.

The GOLDEN TEXT for the quarter is
"THY KINGDOM COME,"

and in the several lessons we have—

1. The King's Own, Matt. 4: 25—5: 12.
2. The King's Law, Matt. 7: 1-14.
3. The King's Life-giving Power, Mark 5: 22-24, 35-43.
4. The King's Pity, Luke 7: 1-10.
5. King Jesus, Luke 7: 18-28.
6. The King's Wrath and Mercy, Matt. 11: 20-30.
7. The King Scorned and Loved, Luke 7: 36-50.
8. The King's Word and how Received, Matt. 13: 1-8 and 18-23.
9. The King's Field and Garden, Matt. 13: 24-33.
10. The King's Messengers, Matt. 9: 35—10: 8.
11. The King's Service and its Cost, Mark 6: 14-29.
12. The King's Bounty, John 6: 5-14.
13. The King's Kingdom—REVIEW.

Lesson I.

THE BEATITUDES

April 1, 1900

Matt. 4: 25 to 5: 12—Memory Verses, 3-9

Golden Text—Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.—Matt. 5: 8.

11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Miss Violet Robinson, 396, Huron St., Toronto

THE LESSON REPEATED

All day long crowds of people followed Jesus, so that very often He had no time to eat or sleep. But sometimes in the evenings He would walk away alone to the top of a mountain and spend the whole night in prayer with His Heavenly Father.

One morning when He was coming down the steep hillside He saw crowds of people gathered again to hear Him. The disciples were there and strangers from Jerusalem and across the Jordan, and many others whom Jesus had cured, with their friends, all anxiously waiting to hear His words.

Then Jesus sat down just where He was, on a ledge of rock, and began to preach.

He used one word a great many times. It was the word Blessed, meaning happy and holy.

He said: Blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are they that mourn, blessed are the meek and the hungry and thirsty, and the merciful, and the pure in heart and the peacemakers, and they that get into trouble for doing what is right—because all these things are the true marks of God's children. Remember how God's servants, the prophets had to suffer for the same things.

The people were surprised to hear Jesus call the sad and the meek and the poor happy. Nobody had preached such things

And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decap'olis, and from Jeru'salem, and from Judæ'a, and from bey'nd Jor'dan.

Ch. 5: 1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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before, and in order that every person in the world might know and remember the greatest sermon that was ever preached, Matthew wrote it all down in the Bible.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who came to Jesus on the mountain-side? Ans. Crowds of people from all over the country. 2. Why did they follow Him? Ans. To hear his words. 3. What did Jesus speak to them about? Ans. About happiness. 4. What is His sermon called? Ans. The Sermon on the Mount. 5. What does "blessed" mean? Ans. Happy and holy. 6. Whom did Jesus call blessed? Ans. The merciful and peacemakers and many others. 7. Why did He call these happy? Ans. Because they are pleasing to God. 8. What did Jesus say about those who get into trouble for doing right? Ans. Be glad, for great is your reward in Heaven. 9. Who wrote down this sermon in the Bible? Ans. Matthew. 10. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Miss V. Robinson **A Little Peacemaker**

Robert is only six years old, yet he has come to see how very disagreeable quarrelling is. Once two children much older than himself were quarrelling. He watched them awhile, his eyes growing graver and larger; then he stepped up to them and said, "Let there be perfic' silenks!"

No one can make him quarrel, and if he hears others using harsh and angry words, he always tries to stop them.

And there was.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

The Pure in Heart shall see God



Primary Catechism—79. Why should we go to a place of worship on the Lord's day?

Because God's word tells us that we should, and because it helps us to be good.

80. What example did Jesus give us in this matter?

It was His custom to go to the place of worship on the Sabbath day.

Shorter Catechism—15. What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?

A. The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.

Lesson Hymn

More like Jesus would I be,
Let my Saviour dwell with me,
Fill my soul with peace and love,
Make me gentle as the dove.

More like Jesus! while I go
Pilgrim in this world below,
Poor in spirit would I be—
Let my Saviour dwell in me.

Amen.

—Hymn 524, Book of Praise

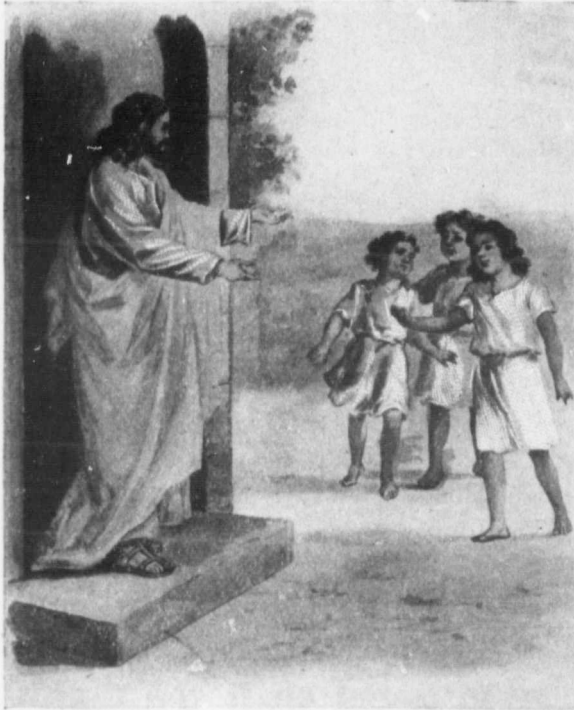
Lesson II.

PRECEPTS AND PROMISES

April 8, 1900

Matt. 7: 1-14—Memory Verses, 7, 8, 13, 14

Golden Text—Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7: 12.



1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.

2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?

5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

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THE LESSON RETOLD

In His sermon on the mount, Jesus explained to the people how His followers must act towards others.

He said—Do not set yourselves up as judges of other men. Act fairly to the people you know and God will be fair to you. Be honest, and you will be treated honestly. Do not be a hypocrite and try to pick out and be angry with the faults in your brother that are as small as specks of dust, when

your own are like great splashes of mud. The only way to really help any one to do right is to first be right yourself.

Do not be careless with holy things. Some people thought that Jesus' way was too hard.

But He said—God is your loving Father. He has promised His help to all who knock and ask at His door.

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whose boy asked for bread or fish and got instead a stone or a serpent? God is as kind as any father or mother, and much more so. But His children should do to each other as they would wish to be treated themselves. This is the Golden Rule. It is like one great law with all the others inside of it.

Now, said Jesus, there are two kinds of people in the world, those who follow My

way, and those who go in their own way. My way is hard and the gate is narrow. Many miss it altogether. But it leads to eternal life.

The other way has a wide gate and an easy path, but it leads to destruction. Many are going there. Let every one of you try hard to find the narrow gate, and to walk in the narrow way. It is the way to heaven.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What did Jesus say about finding fault with others? Ans. He said, Judge not and you will not be judged. 2. How did Jesus say to treat others? Ans. Honestly and fairly. 3. What did He call those who looked for faults in others and could not see their own? Ans. Hypocrites. 4. What is a hypocrite? Ans. One who pretends to be better than he really is. 5. What kind of a Father is God? Ans. He is more kind and loving than any earthly parent. 6. Who said

so? Ans. Jesus Himself. 7. What has God promised to those who knock? Ans. All good things. 8. What two kinds of gates and roads did Jesus speak about? Ans. The wide and the narrow. 9. Which is His way? Ans. The narrow way. 10. Where does it lead? Ans. To life eternal. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. 12. What are these words often called? Ans. The Golden Rule.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY

The Golden Rule



Primary Catechism—81. For what purpose do we go to the house of God?

We go to worship God with His people.

82. How do we worship God when we go to His house?

We worship God by praise, prayer, the reading and preaching of God's Word, and by our offerings.

Shorter Catechism—16. Did all mankind fall in Adam's first transgression?

A. The covenant being made with Adam, not only for himself, but for his posterity; all mankind descending from him, by ordinary generation, sinned in him, and fell with him, in his first transgression.

Lesson Hymn

Lamb of God, I look to Thee—
Thou shalt my example be;
Thou art gentle, meek and mild;
Thou wast once a little child.

Fain I would be as Thou art;
Give me Thy obedient heart;
Thou art pitiful and kind,
Let me have Thy loving mind.

I shall then show forth Thy praise,
Serve Thee all my happy days;
Then the world shall always see
Christ the holy Child, in me.

Amen.

—Hymn 523, Book of Praise

Lesson III.

THE DAUGHTER OF JAIRUS RAISED

April 15, 1900

Mark 5 : 22-24 ; 35-43—Memory Verses, 39-42

Golden Text—Be not afraid, only believe.—Matt. 28 : 6.

ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.

40 And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying.

41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Tali'tha cu'mi ; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.

42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked ; for she was of the age of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.

43 And he charged them straitly that no man should know it ; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Once when Jesus was sitting teaching in Matthew's house a man rushed in and fell at His feet, begging Him to come and cure his little daughter who was dying. It was Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue. He was perfectly certain that Jesus was able to make his child well.

Jesus got right up. The people in the room followed and crowds joined them in the street, for everybody knew Jairus and wanted

to see what Jesus would do for him.

On the way to the house Jesus took time to heal a sick woman who crept up behind Him, and touched His clothes.

While He was speaking to her, Jairus' servants met him and said, "Your daughter is dead. It is no use to trouble the Teacher to come now." Jesus said to Jairus, "Only trust Me."

At the house the people who made a living

22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jai'rus by name ; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,

23 And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death : I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed ; and she shall live.

24 And Je'sus went with him ; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

35 While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is dead : why troublest thou the Master any further ?

36 As soon as Je'sus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.

37 And he suffered no man to follow him, save Pe'ter, and James, and John the brother of James.

38 And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.

39 And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make

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by howling and crying at funerals were beginning their work. Jesus was not pleased with these pretenders and said, "What are you making such a noise for? The little girl is not dead. She is sleeping." But they only laughed, for they knew she was white and cold.

Then Jesus put everybody out except the father and mother and His three friends.

He then took the dead child's hand saying,

"Little maid, arise," and at once she got up and walked across the room. She was twelve years old.

How surprised the parents were! They had not supposed that Jesus could do such a wonder. They almost forgot their little daughter. But Jesus said kindly, "See! She must be hungry. Go and bring her some food." She was not only alive again, but all at once quite well.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who was Jairus? Ans. A ruler of the synagogue. 2. Why did he come to Jesus? Ans. Because he believed that Jesus could cure his little girl. 2. Did Jesus go with him? Ans. Yes, at once. 4. On the way who met them? Ans. Jairus' servants. 5. What bad news had they? Ans. That the child was dead. 6. What did Jesus say then? Ans. Only trust Me. 7. When they got to the house, who were there? Ans. The funeral mourners. 8. What did Jesus say to them? Ans. She is not dead; she is

sleeping. 9. Did they believe Him? Ans. No. 10. Whom only did Jesus allow to see what He would do? Ans. The father and the mother and Peter and James and John. 11. What did Jesus say to the little dead girl? Ans. Little maid, I say, arise. 12. Did she hear Him? Ans. Yes, she got up alive and walked. 13. How old was she? Ans. Twelve years old. 14. How did Jesus show his thoughtfulness? Ans. He said, "Give her something to eat." 15. What is the Golden Text? Be not afraid, only believe.

Easter Carol

The world is filled with gladness,
The bells of Easter ring;
Each pure white lily's waking
To welcome infant spring.

Oh, dear little children, listen
And hear what the glad bells say!
The sweetest chime they ever rang—
"Our Lord is risen to-day!"

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is the Life-giver

Primary Catechism—83. What promise has Jesus given to those who meet for his worship?

Jesus has promised to be wherever two or three meet together in His name.

Shorter Catechism—17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

Lesson Hymn

O Jesus, King most wonderful!
Thou Conqueror renowned!
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found!

O Jesus, Light of all below!
Thou Fount of life and fire!
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire.

Amen.

—Hymn 177, Book of Praise

Lesson IV.

THE CENTURION'S SERVANT HEALED

April 22, 1900

Luke 7 : 1-10—Memory Verses, 9, 10

Golden Text—Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.—Ps. 103 : 13.



1 Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Je'sus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Je'sus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this :

5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Je'sus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself : for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof :

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee : but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth ; and to another, Come,

and he cometh ; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

9 When Je'sus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Is'rael.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

THE LESSON RETOLD

There was someone besides Jairus in Capernaum who badly needed Jesus' help.

It was a strong soldier, or centurion, as he was called. He was not ill himself, but he had a faithful slave whom he loved greatly, and who was dying.

This centurion knew that Jesus had just come back from preaching and working wonderful cures in other places. He thought—There is a chance of getting Him to come, if only some one very good and great would tell Him about my sick servant.

So he got the elders of the church to go

and find Jesus. They begged hard for Him to come, and told what a kind man the centurion was, and though he was not a Jew, how he had given enough money to pay for building them a synagogue.

When Jesus heard of the sick man, He said at once, "I will go and cure him."

When the centurion saw Jesus coming, he began to feel that he was not good enough even to speak to Jesus or to have Him come into his house, so he sent some friends with a message, saying, "Lord, do not trouble coming further, for I know that you

are able to cure my servant where you are. Just speak, and he will be well; for I myself am a captain, and if I want anything done, I have only to speak to my servant, and he obeys me."

When Jesus heard the centurion's message, Luke says, He wondered at him, and said to

those who followed Him, "I have not seen such strong faith, no, not even among the Jews, God's own people." Jesus was glad as well as surprised to find such faith.

Then the messengers went back to the house, and found the servant well, who had been sick.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Whom did the centurion send to beg for Jesus' help? Ans. The elders of the church. 2. Why did he not go himself? Ans. He thought he was not good enough. 3. Who was ill? Ans. The soldier's servant. 4. What did the elders say of the centurion? Ans. That he was a good man, and had given money to build them a church. 5. Did Jesus go when He heard of the sick slave? Ans. Yes. 6. When He came near the house, who met Him? Ans. Messengers from the centurion. 7. What word had their master sent to Jesus? Ans. I am not

good enough to have you in my house. 8. What else did he say? Ans. Speak the word only, and my servant shall be well. 9. What did Jesus say to this? Ans. He said, "I have not seen such strong faith even among the Jews, God's own people." 10. Was the centurion a Jew? Ans. No. 11. When the messengers went back to the house, what did they find? Ans. The servant well who had been sick. 12. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

The Lord Pitieth them that Fear Him

Primary Catechism—84. What is the fifth commandment?

The fifth commandment is, "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

Shorter Catechism—18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called Original Sin: together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Lesson Hymn

What a friend we have in Jesus,

All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry

Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit,

O what needless pain we bear,

All because we do not carry

Everything to God in prayer.

Amen.

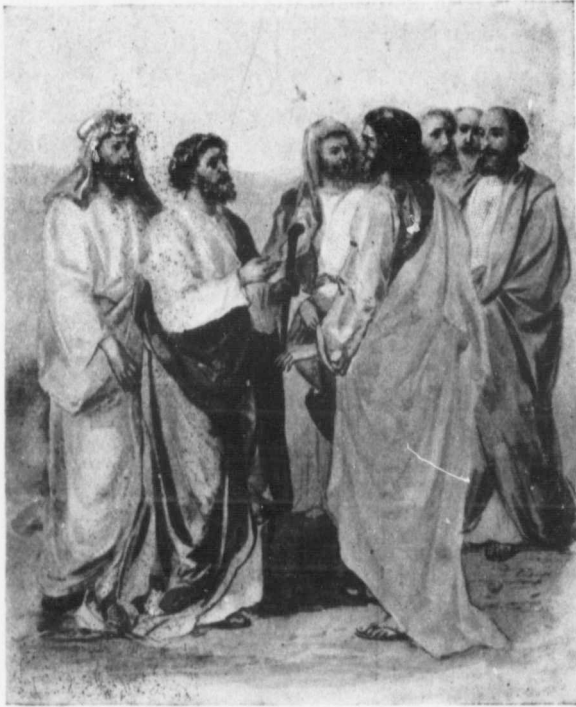
—Hymn 404, Book of Praise

Lesson V.

JESUS AND JOHN THE BAPTIST

April 29, 1900

Luke 7 : 18-28—Memory Verses, 22, 23

Golden Text—He hath done all things well.—Mark 7 : 37.

shaken with the wind? 25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously appavelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.

26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet.

27 This is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist : but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Soon after John the Baptist had baptized Jesus in the Jordan, he was shut up in prison by the wicked King Herod. He was often sad and lonely. He heard nothing of Jesus for a long time and began to wonder if He could have been the Saviour after all.

One day the news of Jesus' strange cures reached John's disciples and they told their master how everybody was talking of Jesus. "They say He is a prophet and can raise the dead. He must be God Himself". Then

John sent two of his friends to Jesus to ask, "Art thou He that should come or is it some-one else?"

John's friends found Jesus very busy. He did not answer their questions at once. He was standing among a crowd of sick people who had plagues and evil spirits and other sicknesses. When Jesus had made everybody well, He turned to the messengers and said, "Go and tell John just what you have seen and heard; how the blind see and the

18 And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.

19 And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Je'sus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

21 And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight.

22 Then Je'sus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

23 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

24 And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out in the wilderness for to see? A reed

lame walk, the lepers are made clean, the deaf hear, the dead are made alive again, and the poor have the good news preached to them. And blessed is he who does not doubt and misunderstand Me."

John's friends were sure now that Jesus was the Savior and hurried away to comfort their master.

When they were gone, Jesus began to speak to the people about John the Baptist. Every-

body remembered John's great sermons in the wilderness. Many believed that he was a prophet. Jesus said, "He is the greatest prophet that ever lived. He is much more than a prophet. He is God's messenger, who has made ready for the Son of God. But now that I have come, even the youngest and weakest person who believes in Me is wiser than the prophets," because the Kingdom of God has really come.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What good man who was shut up in prison heard of Jesus' wonders? Ans. John the Baptist. 2. What did he do? Ans. He sent two friends to ask Jesus if He were the Christ. 3. What did they find Jesus doing? Ans. Busy among the poor and the sick. 4. Did Jesus stop and talk much to them? Ans. No. He went right on with His work. 5. When that was done, what did He say? Ans. Go and tell John what you have seen. 6. What had they seen? Ans. Lepers made

clean, the lame and deaf cured, and the poor listening to the gospel. 7. Were they sure now that Jesus was the Savior? Ans. Yes. 8. When they were gone, what did Jesus say of John the Baptist? Ans. He is greater than the greatest prophet that ever lived. 9. But who are greater than the prophets? Ans. Those who know Jesus. 10. Why? Ans. Because the Kingdom of God has really come. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. He hath done all things well.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is my King

Primary Catechism—85. What is it to honor our father and mother?

To honor our father and mother is to love and obey them.

Shorter Catechism—19. What is the misery of that estate wherewith man fell.

All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

Lesson Hymn

We'll bring Him hearts that love Him,
We'll bring Him thankful praise,
And young souls meekly striving
To walk in holy ways:
And these shall be the treasures
We offer to the King,
And these are gifts that even
The poorest child may bring.

Amen.

—Hymn 535, Book of Praise

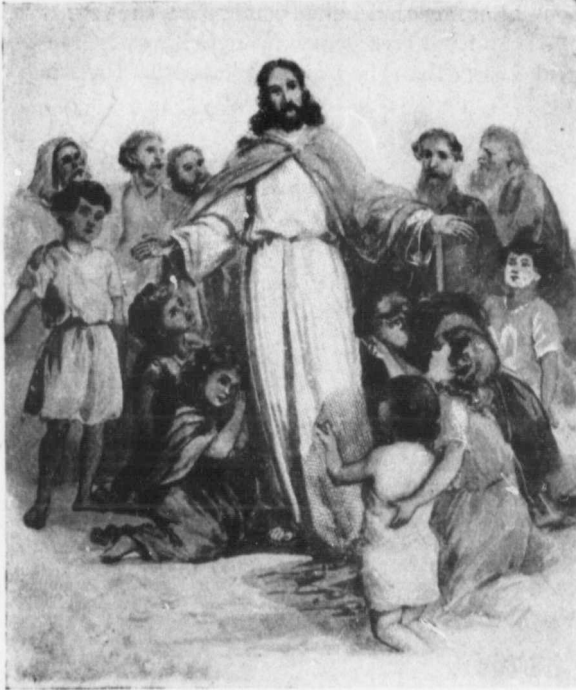
Lesson VI.

JESUS WARNING AND INVITING

May 6, 1900

Matt. 11 : 20-30—Memory Verses, 28-30

Golden Text—Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matt. 11 : 28.



26 Even so, Father : for so it seemed good in thy sight.

27 All things are delivered unto me of my Father : and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father ; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.

28 Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me ; for I am meek and lowly in heart : and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Though Jesus was so gentle and loving, He was strong and fearless as well.

One day He was speaking of the busy northern towns where He had been preaching and working so many miracles.

He said, "There is trouble in store for Chorazin and Bethsaida. Woe unto these cities because they have not believed in Me. Woe unto wicked Capernaum which has seen more wonders than any other city and still rejects the Son of God. These places will have greater punishment even than Sodom, the

20 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not :

21 Woe unto thee, Chora'zin ! woe unto thee, Beth'sai'da ! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Si'don, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

22 But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Si'don at the day of judgment, than for you.

23 And thou, Caper'naum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell : for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sod'om, it would have remained until this day.

24 But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sod'om in the day of judgment, than for thee.

25 At that time Je'sus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

city on which God rained fire from heaven for its sins."

"Why," said Jesus, "If Tyre and Sidon, two of the wickedest places that ever were, had seen what Capernaum has seen, they would have repented long ago."

"But," said Jesus, "I thank Thee, O My Heavenly Father, that though the proud and learned will not hear Me, yet Thy word is simple enough even for the youngest child."

Every day Jesus met those who wanted

His help and who believed that He was God. How glad He was to help them !

This is what He said to the tired and helpless who came to get rid of their sins and their burdens. "Come unto Me, all ye that

labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me for I am meek and lowly in heart : and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Where did Jesus work many of His miracles? Ans. In Capernaum and at Chorazin and Bethsaida. 2. Did all the people in these places believe on Him? Ans. No. 3. What did Jesus mean by saying, "Woe unto these cities"? Ans. He meant that God would punish them. 4. What other places had been punished for sin? Ans. Sodom and Tyre and Sidon. 5. For what did Jesus thank His Heavenly Father? Ans. That, although the proud would not listen to Him,

yet the children could know and love Him. 6. What invitation did Jesus give to those whose hearts were sad and weary? Ans. He said, "Come unto Me." 7. What did Jesus say about Himself? Ans. I am meek and lowly in heart. 8. What kind of a yoke and burden does He promise? Ans. An easy and light one. 9. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Rest

Harold had had such a busy day. All the forenoon he had rolled down the terraces over and over and over again with his dog. After dinner he went out to fly his kite. There was a great breeze and the kite went up almost out of sight. Then his cousins, Charlie

and Jack, came and they played together until after tea. "I'm so tired, mamma," he said, when the cousins were gone. Very tenderly his mother carried him up to his little bed and with her loving kiss on his lips, he was almost instantly fast asleep.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Jesus is Merciful

Primary Catechism—86. Which is the sixth commandment ?

The sixth commandment is, "Thou shalt not kill."

87. What did Jesus say about the sixth commandment ?

Jesus said this commandment is broken by all angry passions.

Shorter Catechism—20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery ?

A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Lesson Hymn

If I come to Jesus,
He will make me glad ;
He will give me pleasure,
When my heart is sad.

*If I come to Jesus,
Happy I shall be,
He is gently calling
Little ones like me.*

If I come to Jesus,
He will hear my prayer,
For he loves me dearly,
And my sins did bear.

Amen.

—Hymn 553, Book of Praise

Lesson VII.

JESUS AT THE PHARISEE'S HOUSE

May 13, 1900

Luke 7: 36-50—Memory Verses, 44-47

Golden Text—Thy faith hath saved thee.—Luke 7: 50.

36 And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment.

38 And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.

39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this is* that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.

40 And Jesus answering said unto him, Si'mon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

41 There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty.

42 And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me, therefore, which of them will love him most?

43 Si'mon answered and said, I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Si'mon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.

48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

THE LESSON RETOLD

A proud Pharisee, whose name was Simon, invited Jesus to dinner.

While they were at the table, a woman who had been very bad came in. She was sorry for her sin and wished to do

better. The tears were running down her cheeks. She came up behind Jesus and began to wash His feet with her tears and to wipe them with her long hair. Then she poured sweet-smelling perfume over them to

show how much she loved Him.

Simon was angry. He said to himself: "This Jesus is no prophet or he would not allow such a bad woman to touch Him." Jesus knew Simon's thought and said "Simon, I have something to tell you. Once there was a rich man to whom two of his servants owed money. One owed him five hundred pieces of money, the other only fifty. Neither could pay, so their master freely and kindly forgave them. Which of the two would love him most?" "Ah," said Simon, "the one to whom he forgave most." "Yes," said Jesus, "It is the same

with this woman. When I came to your house you offered Me no water to bathe My feet. But she has washed them with her tears. You gave Me no kind greeting, but this woman has covered My feet with precious ointment. Because of her great love, her many sins are forgiven, but to whom little is forgiven the same loveth little." Turning to the woman herself Jesus said, "Your sins are indeed forgiven. Go in peace. Your faith has saved you." Simon's friends began to mutter to one another, "He says He can forgive sins. Who can this man be? Surely no one but God can forgive sins."

See!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1 Who invited Jesus to dinner? Ans. Simon, the Pharisee. 2. Who came in while Jesus was there? Ans. A woman who had been a sinner. 3. Was she sorry for her wickedness? Ans. Yes. 4. What did she do to show her love for Jesus? Ans. She poured tears and precious ointment on His feet, and wiped them with her hair. 5. Who was angry? Ans. Simon, the Pharisee.

6. What did he say to himself? Ans. Jesus should not be seen speaking to such a woman. 7. What did Jesus say to Simon about her? Ans. That she had treated Him better than Simon had. 8. What did Jesus say about her sins? Ans. They are forgiven. 9. Who did Jesus say love Him most? Ans. Those to whom He has forgiven most. 10. The Golden Text? Ans. Thy faith hath saved thee.



I HAVE LEARNED TO-DAY TO

Love Jesus above all else

See!



Primary Catechism—88. Which is the seventh commandment?

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

89. What did Jesus say about the seventh commandment?

Jesus said this commandment is broken by all impure thoughts.

Shorter Catechism—21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.

Lesson Hymn

Saviour, teach me day by day
Love's sweet lesson to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be—
Loving him who first loved me.

With a childlike heart of love
At Thy bidding may I move;
Prompt to serve and follow Thee—
Loving Him who first loved me.

Amen.

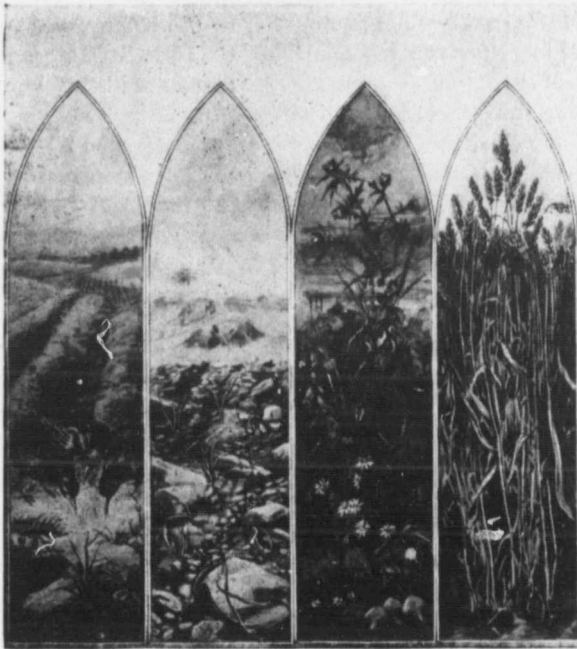
—Hymn 575, Book of Praise

Lesson VIII.

PARABLE OF THE SOWER

May 20, 1900

Matt. 13 : 1-8 and 18-23—Memory Verses, 22, 23

Golden Text—The seed is the word of God.—Luke 8 : 2.

1 The same day went Je'sus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.

2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat ; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow ;

4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up :

5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth : and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth :

6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched ; and because they had no root, they withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns ; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them :

8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

18 Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it ;

21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while : for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word ; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it ; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Sometimes Jesus taught the people by stories. These stories always had a heavenly meaning. They were called parables.

One day Jesus was sitting on the sea-shore. Soon great crowds of people flocked around Him. In order that everybody could hear, Jesus went and sat in a little boat not far from land, and began to preach, and this is

what He said :—

There was once a farmer who went out in the spring to sow his grain, and as he scattered it hither and thither, it fell in all kinds of places. Some fell on wayside paths, hard beaten and narrow, and the birds came quickly and ate it up.

Some fell on stony ground where the earth

was shallow. Here it grew quickly, but because it had no roots, the hot sun soon withered it.

Some seeds fell among thorns which grew up and choked the tender plants to death.

But some fell on good ground—well-ploughed land—and yielded a splendid harvest, to pay the farmer for his trouble.

When the people had gone Jesus told his disciples the meaning of the story.

The different kinds of ground are pictures of four kinds of hearts. The seed is the word of God.

The man who pays no heed to God's message has the "wayside" heart, where Satan snatches away the truth as soon as it is heard. The "stony ground" heart has no roots, and is willing to please Jesus only when it is easy and pleasant.

The "thorny ground" heart has no room for Jesus' love. It is too busy with other things and God is pushed right out.

But the good heart, like the good ground, will bring forth good fruit, some more, some less, but all pleasing to God who will some day gather in His harvest.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is a parable? Ans. A story with a heavenly meaning. 2. Where was Jesus when He told the parable of the sower? Ans. In a boat speaking to the people on shore. 3. On what kinds of poor soil did seed fall? Ans. On the pathway, on stony ground and among thorns. 4. Where did the farmer's crop come from? Ans. From good ground. 5. What are the four kinds of soil pictures of? Ans. Of four kinds of hearts. 6. What is a careless heart like? Ans. The wayside ground. 7. What is an unwilling heart like? Like stony ground. 8. What does the thorny ground mean? Ans. A heart too busy for God. 9. Like what is the good ground? Ans. Like the heart which loves and serves Jesus. 10. Who will gather in the harvest? Ans. God. 11. What is the good seed? Ans. Golden text: The seed is the word of God.

My Garden

My heart is God's little garden
Which I must keep with care;
No naughty thoughts or angry deeds
Must ever enter there.

There's a fence around the garden
To be built of faith and prayer.
May the seeds of the Master's planting
Bear fruit and blossoms fair!

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Hear and Obey God's Word

Primary Catechism—90. Which is the eighth commandment?

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

Shorter Catechism—22. How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Lesson Hymn

Do no sinful action,
Speak no angry word,
Ye belong to Jesus,
Children of the Lord.

Christ is your own Master,
He is good and true,
And his little children
Must be holy too.

Amen.

—Hymn 529, Book of Praise

Lesson IX.

PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

May 27, 1900

Matt. 13 : 24-33—Memory Verses, 31, 33

Golden Text—The field is the world.—Matt. 13 : 38.

24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field :

25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

31 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field :

32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

33 Another parable spake he unto them: The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus told some more picture stories or parables to make clear the meaning of His teaching. He said, the kingdom of God is like this:—

There was once a good farmer who spent a whole day sowing the best of seed in his fields. That night, when everybody was asleep, someone who had a grudge against him came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away.

In a few weeks the farmer's servants went to see how their master's crop was coming

on. They were much shocked at what they saw. In among the young wheat plants was growing something that looked a little like wheat, but which they knew at once to be mock-wheat or tares.

They said to their master, "We thought you planted good seed. How is this?" "Some enemy has done it," said he. "Well," said the servants, "Shall we go and root out these weeds?" "Oh no," said the farmer, "You will only pull up the wheat at the same time. Leave them alone until

both are ripe. Then I will say to my harvesters, Take up the tares first and burn them in bundles, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Jesus said also that God's kingdom was like a tiny speck of a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his garden. And it

grew, and it grew, and it grew, until at last it was so large that birds could rest themselves in its branches.

"For the kingdom of heaven," said Jesus, "spreads like the yeast or leaven a woman uses in making bread. A little of it will raise the whole mass."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. How did Jesus make His teaching easy to understand? Ans. By parables. 2. What was the story of the farmer's field a picture of? Ans. Of the kingdom of heaven. 3. What happened in that field? Ans. An enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat. 4. What did the master say about pulling them out? Ans. He said, let them alone until harvest. 5. In harvest, what did he say? Ans. Gather the weeds into bundles and burn them, but store up the wheat in my barn? 6. What else did Jesus

say the kingdom of heaven was like? Ans. Like a tiny grain of mustard seed. 7. Why? Ans. Because though it has a small beginning, it will by and by fill the whole earth. 8. What other parables did Jesus speak about the kingdom of heaven? Ans. The parable of the leaven. 9. What is leaven? Ans. Something put in meal or flour. 10. What does leaven do for the meal or flour? Ans. It spreads until every part is made light. 11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. The field is the world.

Little Things

A little child I am indeed,
And little do I know;
Much care and help I yet shall need,
That I may wiser grow,
If I would ever hope to do
Things great and good and useful too:

One gentle word that I may speak,
Or one kind loving deed,
May, though a trifle poor and weak,
Prove like a tiny seed;
And who can tell what good may spring
From such a very little thing?

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Beware of the Great Enemy

Primary Catechism—91. Which is the ninth commandment?

The ninth commandment is, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

92. What is it to bear false witness against our neighbor?

It is to say what is not true about others.

Shorter Catechism—23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

Lesson Hymn

O where are the reapers that garner in
The sheaves of the good from the fields of
sin?

With sickle of truth must the work be done,
And no one may rest till the 'harvest
home.'

*We are the reapers! O, who will come,
And share in the glory of the 'harvest home?'*
*O, who will help us to garner in
The sheaves of good from the fields of sin?*

Amen.

—Hymn 454, Book of Praise

Lesson X.

THE TWELVE SENT FORTH

June 3, 1900

Matt. 9: 35 to 10: 8—Memory Verses, 9: 36-38.

Golden Text—It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.—Matt. 10: 20.



35 And Je'sus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they were faint, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;

38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Ch. 10: 1 And when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power *against* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first Si'mon, who is called Pe'ter, and And'rew his brother; James the son of Zeb'edee, and John his brother;

3 Phil'ip, and Barthol'omew; Thom'as, and Matth'ew the publican; James the son of Alphæ'us,

and Lebba'eus, whose surname was Thaddæ'us; 4 Si'mon the Ca'naanite, and Ju'das Iscar'iot, who also betrayed him.

5 These twelve Je'sus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gen'tiles, and into *any* city of the Samar'itans enter ye not:

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Is'rael.

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

THE LESSON RETOLD

While Jesus was walking about among the towns and villages of Galilee working His wonderful cures and preaching the good news, His disciples were generally with Him.

Though Jesus was so busy talking to the crowds and curing every kind of sickness, yet He spent much time teaching and training these chosen ones for the work they must do.

As Jesus looked sometimes at the numbers

of people who crowded to hear Him, He said to the disciples, "These people are wandering as sheep who have no leader. They are as ready to be taught as ripe grain is to be gathered in harvest. But the harvesters are few. Pray all of you to God to send forth His reapers."

Soon after this Jesus called the twelve disciples to be preachers and to go everywhere saying: "The kingdom of God is near at hand."

These were their names:—Peter and Andrew, John and James, Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew, James the Less and Thaddeus, Simon and Judas.

Some of them were only poor fishermen, but Jesus gave each of them power to do many wonderful works, to heal the sick, to cleanse lepers, to raise the dead, and to cast out evil spirits. Then He told them where

to go. He said, "Go first to all places where there are Jews, for they are the lost sheep whom God has promised to save."

Before they started Jesus gave the disciples many parting warnings and messages. One of them is in to-day's Golden Text: "The Spirit of your Father speaks in you." Another was "Freely ye have received, freely give."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Who used to go with Jesus when He went about the villages teaching? Ans. His twelve disciples. 2. What is a disciple? Ans. A learner or pupil. 3. What did Jesus do for His disciples who followed Him? Ans. He taught and trained them. 4. What did he say to them about the people? Ans. He said, "They are as sheep without a shepherd." 5. What did Jesus tell his disciples to pray for? Ans. That God would send reapers into His harvest. 6. Whom

did God send? Ans. These twelve disciples. 7. What was their message? Ans. The kingdom of God is near. 8. What were some of their names? Ans. Peter, James, John and Andrew. 9. Where did Jesus say to preach first? Ans. Among the Jews. 10. Why? Ans. Because they were His own lost sheep. 11. What power did Jesus give His messengers? Ans. Power to do many wonderful works. 12. How did He say to give help? Ans. Freely.

A Free Gift

The only thing that Katy had that she could call her own was "Pet," a little motherless chicken, which was so tame that it followed her wherever she went.

She heard a missionary speak in the church about the little boys and girls in India who had no one to tell them of Jesus, "What can I do to help them, I wonder," she said to herself.

The next morning she said to her mother, "I am going to give 'Pet' to the missionary." "Very well, she's your own. Do

what you like with her."

Mr. Ewan, the minister, was much surprised to see a little girl with a basket and a chicken in it, coming to his house, but he bought the chicken and paid Katy twenty-five cents for it. Just as she was leaving, he said, "I've nobody to take care of the chicken; won't you keep it for me?"

So Katy trudged home, the happiest child in the world. She had "Pet" back again, and had been willing to give her very best to God's work.

I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY TO

Be Glad to tell the Story of Jesus and His Love

Primary Catechism—93. Which is the tenth commandment?

The tenth commandment is, "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's."

94. What is it to covet?

To covet is to have a wrong desire for what belongs to others.

Shorter Catechism—24. How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executeth the office of a prophet in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Lesson Hymn

Hark! the voice of Jesus crying—

"Who will go and work to day?

Fields are white and harvest waiting;

Who will bear the sheaves away?"

Amen.

—Hymn 447, Book of Praise

Lesson XI.

DEATH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 10, 1900

Mark 6 : 14-29—Memory Verses, 21-24

Golden Text—Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. 5 : 18.



14 And king Her'od heard of him; (for his name was spread abroad :) and he said, That John the Bapt'ist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

15 Others said, That it is Eli'as. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.

16 But when Her'od heard thereof, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded : he is risen from the dead.

17 For Her'od himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Hero'dias' sake, his brother Philip's wife : for he had married her.

18 For John had said unto Her'od, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.

19 Therefore Hero'dias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him ; but she could not :

20 For Her'od feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an' holy, and observed him ; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

21 And when a convenient day was come, that Her'od on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Gal'ilee ;

22 And when the daughter of the said Hero'dias came in, and danced, and pleased Her'od and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give it thee.

23 And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto the half of my kingdom.

24 And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask ? And she said, The head of John the Baptist.

25 And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

26 And the king was exceeding sorry ; yet for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.

27 And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought : and he went and beheaded him in the prison,

28 And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel : and the damsel gave it to her mother.

29 And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

THE LESSON RETOLD

When King Herod heard of Jesus' mighty works, he was afraid. He said "I know who He is. He is John the Baptist, whom I wickedly shut up in prison and murdered. He is risen from the dead." Herod had a guilty conscience because he

had killed John.

While John was preaching in the wilderness, Herod had stolen his own brother's wife, Herodias, from her husband; and John had said "You have done wickedly. God is not pleased with your ways."

For this Herodias hated John and got Herod to shut him in prison. Herod himself was partly afraid of the brave and holy prophet but he would not obey his warnings.

One day King Herod gave a birthday party to his great men. At this feast Herodias' daughter came in and danced before the king. Herod was greatly pleased and began to talk in a loud drunken voice and to make

foolish promises. He said "I will give you anything you ask, even to the half of my kingdom." Then the girl ran to her mother and said, "What shall I ask?"

"Go quickly," said the wicked woman, and say, "Give me the head of John the Baptist in a dish."

Herod was terribly ashamed and sorry. But he was afraid his friends would laugh, if he refused to keep his word. So he sent a soldier and brought the girl what she asked for, and she gave it to her mother.

When John's friends heard of it, they came and took away their master's body and laid it in a grave. Then they went and told Jesus.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Whom did King Herod think Jesus was? Ans. John the Baptist risen from the dead.
2. What had Herod done to John? Ans. He had put him in prison.
3. What for? Ans. For telling the king and queen of their wickedness.
4. What did Herod do on his birthday? Ans. He gave a party to his lords.
5. Who pleased the king by dancing? Ans. The daughter of Herodias.
6. What did Herod promise her? Ans. Anything she

liked. 7. What did her mother tell her to ask? Ans. The head of John the Baptist.
8. How did Herod feel? Ans. He was sorry.
9. Why did he do wrong? Ans. He could not bear his friends to laugh at him.
10. What did John's disciples do with his body? Ans. They laid it in a grave.
11. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit.



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

Serving Jesus brings Everlasting Joy



Primary Catechism—95. What did Jesus say the commandments teach us?

Jesus said the commandments teach us to love God with all our heart, and to love others as ourself.

Shorter Catechism—25. How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executeth the office of a priest in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

Lesson Hymn

O, what can little hearts do
To please the King of Heaven?
Our hearts, if God His Spirit send,
Can love and trust their Saviour Friend:
Such grace to mine be given.

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 XII.

THE FEEDING OF FIVE THOUSAND

June 17, 1900

John 6 : 5-14—Memory Verses, 9-12

Golden Text—Give us this day our daily bread.—Matt. 6 : 11.

5 When Je'sus then lifted up *his* eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?

6 And this he said to prove him : for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.

8 One of his disciples, An'drew, Si'mon Pe'ter's brother, saith unto him,

9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes : but what are they among so many?

10 And Je'sus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand.

11 And Je'sus took the loaves ; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down ; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up

the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. 13 Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Je'sus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Late one afternoon, near the time of the passover-feast, Jesus was sitting out of doors on a quiet mountain-side overlooking the sea of Galilee, talking with His disciples.

As He walked up, He saw the crowds of people who had been following Him all day and watching His miracles, coming to hear Him again.

Jesus was sorry for them. He knew they must be tired and hungry. Now there were no shops in the place and though Jesus had His own plan for feeding the people, yet He wanted to see if His disciples believed in Him, so He said to Philip, "Where can we

buy food for these people?"

"Why," said Philip, "We have not money enough. It would take fifty dollars' worth of bread to do it."

"But," said Andrew, "there is a little boy here with a small lunch. He has five little flat loaves and two tiny fish. But what's the use of that among so many?"

Jesus said "Make all the people sit down in good order on the grass." There were five thousand men, not counting the women and children. Then the boy gave Jesus his bread and the fishes and Jesus asked God to bless them and gave the food to the disciples and

they passed it to the people.

Jesus made it more than enough for all. There was even more left; but He said, "Don't waste any." So when everybody had finished, each of the twelve disciples gathered

his basket or wallet full of left-over pieces.

Then Jesus sent the people home, who were all talking of what had happened. They said, "Surely this man is God's promised prophet!"

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Why did so many people follow Jesus? Ans. To see His wonders and hear His words.
 2. Where were they once towards evening? Ans. On a mountain side.
 3. Why was Jesus sorry for them? Because they had been all day without food.
 4. Why could they not buy food? Ans. There were no shops near.
 5. Who told Jesus about the boy with five little loaves and two tiny fish? Ans. Andrew.
 6. What did Jesus say? Ans. Make everybody sit down.
 7. What did Jesus do before passing the food? Ans. He asked God to bless it.
 8. How many people were there? Ans. Five thousand men, besides the women and children.
 9. Was there enough for all? Ans. Yes. There was much left.
 10. How many basket-fuls were saved? Ans. Twelve.
 11. What is such a wonder called? Ans. A miracle.
 12. What did the people say of Jesus? Ans. Surely He is a prophet.
 13. What is the Golden Text? Ans. Give us this day our daily bread.

Fred's Blessing

Fred was the eldest. He was six and Dora was four, and the baby—why, he was only two. So, of course, when papa went away to see his sick brother, Fred was the man of the house.

"Well, my little man, ask a blessing like papa," said mamma, when they were all seated at the dinner table.

So when they had closed their eyes Fred

repeated the little grace they had always said on lunch days in the kindergarten class.

Here it is:—

God is great, God is good,
 And we thank Thee for this food.
 By Thy hand must all be fed;
 Give us, Lord, our daily bread.

Amen.



I HAVE LEARNED
 TO-DAY THAT

All our Blessings Come from God



Primary Catechism—96. Whose help should we ask to keep the commandments?

We should ask God to give us His Holy Spirit to help us to keep His commandments.

Shorter Catechism—26. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executeth the office of a king in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Lesson Hymn

God who made the grass,
 The flower, the fruit, the tree,
 The day and night to pass,
 Careth for me.

God, who sent His Son
 To die on Calvary,
 He, if I lean on Him,
 Will care for me.

Amen.

—Hymn 509, Book of Praise

Lesson XIII.

REVIEW—Second Quarter

June 24, 1900

Golden Text—Thy kingdom come.—Matt. 6 : 10.**Primary Catechism**—Review questions 79-96.**Shorter Catechism**—27. *Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?*

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross ; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

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.*

—Hymn 538, Book of Praise



I HAVE LEARNED
TO-DAY THAT

I Should Help to Spread Christ's Kingdom



	Lesson Title	Golden Text
LESSON I.	The Beatitudes.	Blessed are the pure in heart : for they shall see God.—Matt. 5 : 8.
LESSON II.	Precepts and Promises.	Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7 : 12.
LESSON III.	The Daughter of Jairus Raised.	Be not afraid, only believe.—Mark 5 : 36.
LESSON IV.	The Centurion's Servant Healed.	Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.—Ps. 103 : 13.
LESSON V.	Jesus and John the Baptist.	He hath done all things well.—Mark 7 : 37.
LESSON VI.	Jesus Warning and Inviting.	Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matt. 11 : 28.
LESSON VII.	Jesus at the Pharisee's House.	Thy faith hath saved thee.—Luke 7 : 50.
LESSON VIII.	Parable of the Sower.	The seed is the word of God,—Luke 8 : 2.
LESSON IX.	Parables of the Kingdom.	The field is the world.—Matt. 13 : 38.
LESSON X.	The Twelve Sent Forth.	It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.—Matt. 10 : 20.
LESSON XI.	Death of John the Baptist.	Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess ; but be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. 5 : 18.
LESSON XII.	The Feeding of Five Thousand.	Give us this day our daily bread.—Matt. 6 : 11.
LESSON XIII.	Review.	Thy kingdom come.—Matt. 6 : 10.

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.

LESSON I. The Beatitudes.

LESSON VII. Jesus at the Pharisee's House.

LESSON II. Precepts and Promises.

LESSON VIII. Parable of the Sower.

LESSON III. The Daughter of Jairus Raised.

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AN ORDER OF SERVICE, PRIMARY CLASSES

Second Quarter, 1900

I. TEACHER—I was glad when they said unto me.

CLASS—Let us go into the house of the Lord.

ALL—Before my words of prayer are said,
 I close my eyes and bow my head ;
 I'll try to think to whom I pray,
 And try to mean the words I say.

II. SILENT PRAYER, followed by The Lord's Prayer.

III. OPENING HYMN.

IV. COLLECTION.

V. BIRTHDAY OFFERING AND PRAYER. This prayer should be more especially for missions. If no offering is presented, still have the prayer.

VI. GESTURE HYMN.

VII. RECITE GOLDEN TEXTS for the Quarter, as far as learned.

TEACHER—Of what does the waking earth remind us ?

CLASS—That Christ the Lord is risen.

TEACHER—What do the flowers among the grass say to us ?

CLASS—If God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you ?

VIII. THE LESSON for the day, with Golden Text, Lesson Hymn and Catechism.

IX. PRAYER. In simple words and short clauses by the teacher, the children repeating after the teacher.

X. SING LESSON HYMN for the Quarter, 538, Book of Praise.

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

XI. IN CONCERT. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

XII. DISMISSAL.

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