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## The Golden Sunlight

I'm glad the golden sunlight  
Is shining o'er our way,  
And nature seems so happy,  
This holy Sabbath day.

The perfume of the flowers  
Floats upward to the sky ;  
The birds are singing praises  
To God who dwells on high.

And if the birds and flowers  
All praise the Lord our King,  
I'm sure the little children  
A song of praise may bring.

—Primary Sunday School Hymnal

## Like a Silver Bell

By Rev. R. Douglas Fraser

Of course you have been learning the Supplemental Hymn for the Little Ones, for the first half of the year, its eight short verses telling the story of the blessed Saviour, from His manger-cradle to His heavenly throne; and its ringing chorus, you will never forget. In fact you have learned a song which will be just as fresh by and by in the beautiful city of light, as it is now :

“ *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.”*

The hymn for the second half-year (Hymn 585, Book of Praise), which you are now to take up, is also about the blessed Saviour. But do we ever tire telling about those we love? And it is love that rings like a silver bell all through this sweet, sweet hymn : “ Saviour, like a shepherd lead us.” You

will learn all its verses. There are only four of them, six lines in each, twenty-four lines in all ; that is, two lines a Sunday for twelve Sundays, with two Sundays to spare. Why, the tiniest tot can easily manage it. Sing it with all your heart. Its last verse makes a beautiful morning prayer :

“ Early let us seek Thy favor,

Early let us do Thy will ;

Blessèd Lord and only Saviour,

With Thyself our bosoms fill :

Blessed Jesus !

Thou hast loved us, love us still.”

## Who Was the Young Prince?

*Miss Gina Fair*

Two young men stood talking together, the one the son of a king, the other his attendant who carried his armor. Behind them lay hidden the king, with a small company of six hundred men ; and before them, strongly fortified behind two sharp rocks, was a powerful enemy, who had been harassing the country for a long time. They were gathered there in such numbers that the little band of men hesitated to advance to what seemed certain destruction.

But the king's son was a daring young man, and he said to his attendant, “ Let us go over to the garrison of the enemy. This is the cause of the Lord, and whether there be many or few, it matters not to Him. If they attempt to stop us, we will remain where we are ; but if they call on us to advance, we will accept it as a sign from the Lord.”

So the two brave young men started forward. Up in the fortress, the soldiers saw them coming, and they laughed at them and mocked them, “ Come up, come up,” they cried, “ and we will show you a thing or two.”

Without an instant's hesitation, the prince and his companion began to ascend the steep rocks. They crept up slowly but steadily on their hands and knees, and at last reached the top. There the first man fell before them, then another and another, until twenty soldiers lay dead around the prince and his attendant. Then God sent an earthquake, which still further increased the panic in the hosts of the enemy; and they, thinking a whole army was besieging them, rushed away headlong, blindly beating down one another as they ran.

And down below in the valley, the king and his little company looked on wonderingly, and seeing that the hand of the Lord was with them, they took heart and pursued after the invaders, who fled away, still slaying one another as they went.

The rest of the people of the land, who had deserted the king's cause in his hour of need, seeing that victory was on his side, now rallied to his support once more, and the enemy were completely driven out, and there was peace within their borders.

*What was the name of the young prince?*

*Mrs. J. D. Jackson*

### Children's Troubles

*By Rae Furlands*

The children had just gone to bed. Their mother was musing alone in the sitting room. The evening had not been a happy one for the children, and the mother, who, like all true mothers, wanted her children to enjoy to the full each day of their lives, was sorrowful.

"I wish I knew how to manage things better," she said; "I do not understand children. I am afraid I ought not to have been a mother."

"You certainly should not, if you do not, understand them, and cannot learn how," said a tiny voice at her side.

"Who are you?"

"I am 'Love.' You have often told your children about my helping them, and now I am come to help you, if you will let me."

"The trouble with you," the gentle voice continued, "is that you deal with each childish difficulty too hastily. You form an opinion without taking time to know all the facts, and frequently it is entirely wrong, and the child in trouble, instead of expressing itself

freely, as it would if left alone a while, becomes confused and retires within itself, maybe to brood over what it imagines to be, either rightly or otherwise, its wrongs. It is not best always to run to the children on the slightest disturbance. Often it is better to wait until they come to you, then listen patiently to what they have to say, and find out the true rights or wrongs before giving an answer. Also, you sometimes forget," and the little voice became more plaintive, "that the little ones' troubles are to them just as real as your own are to you. They get over them more quickly, but, while they last, simple or even foolish as they may appear to you, they cause real heartache to the children; and the more so, if you fail to show the sympathy which they need, and consider due to them. Many a child's life has been made very unhappy by grown people, who truly loved him, but who did not endeavor to look at things from the child's standpoint, and so were unable to give the intelligent sympathy which every child needs. You may learn to understand the children, if you will. You have the love, and that, combined with patience and perseverance, will accomplish wonders."

Just then the clock struck, and aroused the mother, who rubbed her eyes, and said, "What a curious dream; but I will profit by it."

### More About Jesus

Last Quarter the Lessons were about JESUS' WORK AMONG MEN, whom He taught, and healed, and helped. The Lessons of the present Quarter continue the same wonderful story.

1. Telling what God thinks of the little ones.
2. Showing us how to forgive.
3. Giving an example of kindness.
4. Teaching how to pray.
5. Warning against pride.
6. Telling about God's invitations.
7. Picturing God's wonderful welcome.
8. Showing that we need mercy.
9. Teaching how to be His disciples.
10. Saving from suffering and sin.
11. Receiving honors as King.
12. Answering questions.
13. Showing Himself gentle.

*Mrs. J. D. Jackson*

**AN ORDER OF SERVICE**

FOR PRIMARY CLASSES OR THE HOME LESSON

Third Quarter, 1906

*Mrs. J. O. Jackson*

**I. OPENING PRAYER.** (Class repeating, line by line, with Teacher.)

As we come together now,	To be among us while we stay,
We close our eyes, our heads we bow,	To guard and guide us every day,
We fold our hands and pray Thee, Lord,	And bring us home at last to Thee
To teach us from Thy holy word ;	And let these eyes Thy beauty see.

**II. SING.** (Tune, Mariners, 584, Book of Praise.)

Sing His praise, the Lord of glory,	Come, Lord Jesus, teach and guide us,
Tell again his life below ;	Make us daily more like Thee ;
May we love the blessed story,	As we journey walk beside us,
May we learn how much we owe.	Till in heaven Thy face we see.

**III. RESPONSIVE EXERCISE.**

*Teacher.* Where did Jesus go when He was twelve years old?

*Class.* To the temple at Jerusalem.

*Teacher.* What did Jesus call it?

*Class.* "My Father's house."

*Teacher.* What did He do there?

*Class.* He listened to the teaching of the scriptures, both hearing and asking questions

*Teacher.* Then, are children to go to church?

*Class.* Yes ! We must try to do as Jesus did.

*Teacher.* How must we behave in God's house?

*Class.* We must join in the prayers and the hymns, and listen to the preaching.

*Teacher.* How can we learn to understand?

*Class.* The Bible says, " All thy children shall be taught of the Lord."

**IV. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON.** Learn, verse by verse, and repeat Isa. 9 : 6, and Matt. 6 : 9-13 ; also learn, verse by verse, and sing, Hymn 585, Book of Praise.

**V. THE MISSIONARY QUESTION** for the day. (See each Lesson. The very little ones will not be expected to learn this by heart, but it may be repeated several times over and any needed explanation given.)

**VI. OFFERINGS.** If possible, have the children march round the room to music, dropping their offerings into the basket or plate as they pass a given point.

**VII. SING.** (Tune, University College, 271, Book of Praise.)

All things beautiful and fair,	He who dwelleth high in heaven,
Earth and sky and balmy air ;	Unto us hath all things given ;
Sunny field and shady grove,	Let us, as through life we move,
Gently whisper, " God is love."	Ever feel that " God is love."

**VIII. LESSON FOR THE DAY.**

**IX. PRAYER OR WHISPER HYMN FOR CLOSING.** Hymn 523, verses 1, 2, Book of Praise

## Lesson I.

## JESUS AND THE CHILDREN

July 1, 1906

Matthew 18 : 1-14—Memory Verses, 2, 3.\*

**Golden Text**—It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.—Matthew 18 : 14.



1 At the same time came the disciples unto Je'sus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven ?

2 And Je'sus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4 Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5 And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7 Woe unto the world because of offences ! for it must needs be that offences come ; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

8 Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee : it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

9 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee : it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones ; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

11 For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

12 How think ye ? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray ?

13 And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.

14 Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

*mis Dea tenli*  
In spite of Jesus' teachings, His disciples still thought that the kingdom of heaven, which he so often spoke of, meant an earthly kingdom, and one day after quarreling among themselves as to which of them was to have the highest position in it when it was established, they came to Jesus Himself, and asked Him who would be the greatest.

Jesus felt sorry, that, after all His lessons, they still longed for worldly riches and honor, and told them that, unless they gave up seeking and expecting these things, they could never belong to His heavenly kingdom.

So He called a little child, who stood near by listening, and set him in the midst of them, and

said, that, unless they should turn from their sinful pride and self-seeking, they should not even enter into this kingdom, for the greatest in it would not be those who were rich and powerful, but those who were most like that little child, simple and humble and not seeking for worldly good for themselves.

And He went on to say, that whoever should honor and treat kindly those Christians who lived the pure lives of little children, would be as greatly blessed as if they had done these things for Him. And on the other hand, it would be better for a man to be drowned in the sea, than that he should ever injure or tempt to sin one of these humble

\*The Scripture Memory Passages of the Supplemental Lessons are recommended as a substitute for those here given Sabbath by Sabbath. They will be found in the Supplemental Lessons Leaflet.

followers of His. The world was so sinful that there would always be some wicked ones in it, but most wicked of all are those who attempt to lead others into evil ways, and are glad when they have succeeded.

Then Jesus warned His disciples that, if they were fond of anything that was wrong, or that kept them from a godly life, they must give it up, even if doing so was as hard as cutting off a hand or foot, because if they did not, God Himself would punish them when they came to die, for continuing to do what they knew to be evil.

And He warned them against despising the humble and childlike followers of His, who, giving up sin, were trying to serve Him, for they were very precious in His sight. He was like a shepherd who, if he lost one out of his flock of a hundred sheep, never thought of those who were already safe in the fold, but only of the poor sheep lost away on the mountains, and would go out in the darkness and danger to rescue it, and when, after a long, hard search, he found it, he would be more glad and joyful over it than over the ninety-nine who were safe in the fold. So His Father in heaven, also, rejoiced when even the poorest and humblest person was rescued from a sinful life and brought safely into His kingdom.

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. What question did the disciples ask Jesus?
2. What did Jesus say was the only way to enter the kingdom of heaven?
3. Who will be the greatest in this kingdom?
4. How did Jesus say people could honor Him?
5. What would be better to happen to a man than that he should lead a follower of Christ astray?
6. What were His disciples to do if they were fond of anything evil?
7. Why were they to avoid despising Jesus' humble followers?
8. To whom did Jesus compare himself?
9. What caused the heavenly Father to rejoice?
10. Golden Text?

**Lesson Hymn**

I wish that His hands had been placed on my head,

That His arms had been thrown around me,  
And that I might have seen His kind look  
when He said,

'Let the little ones come unto me.' Amen.

—Hymn 567, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

**PRIMARY CATECHISM—100. What form has Jesus given to guide us in prayer?**

Jesus said, "After this manner, therefore, pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven." (See Matt. 6: 9-13 for the whole prayer.)

**101. What is this prayer commonly called?** This prayer is commonly called, "The Lord's Prayer."

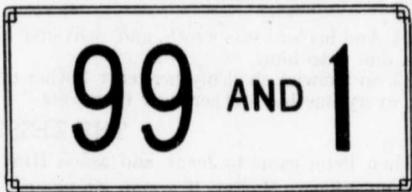
**SHORTER CATECHISM—20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?** A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

**The Question on Missions**

(Third Quarter, TRINIDAD AND BRITISH GUYANA.) 24. When and by whom was our Mission in Trinidad begun? Rev. John Morton, now of Tunapuna, went from Nova Scotia in 1867, and Rev. K. J. Grant, now of San Fernando, in 1870. These two and their wives are still in the work.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. Like the shepherd in the Lesson (vs. 12, 13), who left the ninety and nine sheep in the fold, to



search for the one lost in the mountains, He came from heaven, to look for each one of us. And how glad He is when He finds us!

**I Have Learned Today**

THAT GOD LOVES EVEN ME

Matthew 18 : 21-35—Memory Verses, 21, 22.

**Golden Text**—Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.—Matthew 6 : 12.

21 Then came Pe'ter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him ? till seven times ?

22 Je'sus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times : but, Until seventy times seven.

23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.

25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence : and he laid hands on him, and took *him* by the throat, saying,

Pay me that thou owest. 29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

30 And he would not : but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me :

33 Shouldst not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee ?

34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

#### THE LESSON RETOLD

Then Peter came to Jesus, and asked Him this question, " Master, if a man sin against me, how often shall I forgive him? Would seven times be enough? "— for the scribes and Pharisees taught that a man need not forgive another more than three times. But Jesus' rules were different, and He told Peter that he should *always* forgive people, no matter how often they wronged him ; and to impress this on His disciples He told them one of His lesson stories.

" Once a certain king began to reckon up his accounts, and found that one of his servants owed him a sum of money so great, that even if he gave up everything he had, it would not begin to pay the debt.

" Now, the Jews had a law, that, if a man owed money that he could not pay, he, with his wife and his family, could be sold into bondage for a certain time, until enough was made to pay what was owing. So the king commanded that this man, his wife and children, and his servants, should be sold as slaves to pay his debt. Then the servant, in great distress, knelt down before his lord, begging him to have patience, and he would pay everything in time. And the king was so sorry for him, that he not only freed him, but forgave him the whole debt.

" But this man, on his way home, met a fellow-servant who owed him a very small sum, and catching him by the throat, he

cried, 'Pay me that money you owe me.' And the poor man, just as he himself had done, promised that he would pay it very soon, if he would only wait. But he would have no pity, and had him cast into prison till he should pay the debt.

"The other servants were very angry when they saw this cruel treatment, and came and told their lord all that had happened. Then he sent for this wicked servant and said, 'Just because you asked me, I forgave you that great debt, and yet you could not forgive your fellow-servant who owed you such a small one.' And as a punishment the king delivered him over to the torturers, to be dealt with in the prison-house as they saw fit, till he should pay all that he owed." And Jesus added, "So God will punish you, if you do not forgive your fellow-men the sins which are so small in comparison with the great sins that God has forgiven you."

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. What question did Peter ask Jesus?
2. How often does Jesus say we should forgive?
3. About whom did He tell a story?
4. How much did the king's servant owe the king?
5. What was to be done to him because he could not pay?
6. What favor did he ask?
7. How was his request answered?
8. What happened next?
9. What did the other servants do?
10. What did Jesus say would happen to those who did not forgive their fellow-men?
11. What is the Golden Text?

**Lesson Story**

"I'm so sorry," sobbed May, coming to her mother, weeping bitterly, because she had broken a beautiful china cup. Although her mother grieved, she knew it had been an accident, and quite forgave the little girl; but coming into the nursery an hour afterwards, she found May roughly shaking her little brother, Bobby. "He's broken half the paints in my paint box," she cried.

"Oh, May," said her mother sadly, "I have just forgiven you for breaking my beautiful cup; why could you not have been as kind to Bobby, who is too young to know he was doing any harm?" Then May, very much ashamed, kissed Bobby, and told him she was sorry she had been so unkind.

**Lesson Hymn**

Our sins before Thee we confess;  
 O may they be forgiven!  
 As we to others mercy show  
 We mercy beg from Heaven.

Still let Thy grace our life direct;  
 From evil guard our way;  
 And in temptation's fatal path  
 Permit us not to stray. Amen.

Hymn 395, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

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

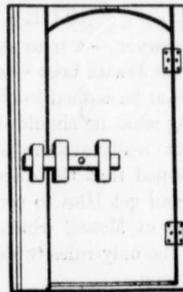
**SHORTER CATECHISM—21.** Who is the Redeemer of God's elect? A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.

**The Question on Missions**

25. Where is Trinidad? It is the most southerly of the West India Islands, lying within sight of Venezuela, and is about the same size as Prince Edward Island.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

The servant richly deserved to be cast into prison, when his master had freely forgiven



his huge debt, and he refused to forgive the small debt owed to himself. Now, God is willing to forgive our sins, and He is much displeased if we are not willing to forgive others.

**I Have Learned Today**

THAT I SHOULD EVER FORGIVE

## Lesson III.

## THE GOOD SAMARITAN

July 15, 1906

Luke 10 : 25-37—Memory Verses, 33, 34.

**Golden Text**—Blessed are the merciful : for they shall obtain mercy.—Matthew 5 : 7.

25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life ?

26 He said unto him, What is written in the law ? how readeest thou ?

27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind ; and thy neighbour as thyself.

28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right : this do, and thou shalt live.

29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Je'sus, And who is my neighbour ?

30 And Je'sus answering said, A certain man went down from Jeru'salem to Jer'icho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way : and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

32 And likewise a Le'vite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was : and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

34 And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him ; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves ?

37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Je'sus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

One day a certain lawyer — a man skilled in the knowledge of the Jewish laws — came to Jesus, pretending that he wished to obtain eternal life, and asking what he should do to gain it. He was not really anxious about his future life, but hoped that the question would confuse Jesus and get Him to contradict some of the laws of Moses, which the Jews considered were the only rules to decide what was right or wrong.

But Jesus, knowing what was in the man's heart, instead of answering him, asked him what his own laws taught him. "They teach," answered the lawyer, "that, if a person loves God with all his heart and soul and strength and mind, and his neighbor as himself, he shall gain eternal life."

"That is true," said Jesus. "If you really do these things you shall be saved." But the

man was not satisfied. He next wanted to know if "neighbor" meant the same thing to Jesus as it did to him — for the Jews thought that a neighbor referred only to one of their own countrymen, and that they were not breaking this law if they treated outsiders unkindly.

Then Jesus told the lawyer this story,—"A man was traveling down the steep, narrow, rocky roadway between Jericho and Jerusalem, and was set upon by thieves, who, besides robbing him of his clothes and goods, beat him so cruelly that he lay half dead by the roadside. Shortly after, a priest came walking by, but he did not even turn aside to see what was the matter with the man. Next passed a Levite, one also set apart to the service of God, but he too, after coming up to look at the wounded man, went on without

attempting to do anything for him, although he could not but see that his help was sorely needed. Last of all came a Samaritan — one of a race whom the Jews hated and despised. But the Samaritan never thought of that, when this poor Jew needed his help. He bound up his wounds with oil and wine, which he carried with him, and then, lifting him on to his own beast, carried him to an inn. All night he cared for the wounded man himself, and in the morning, when he was leaving, gave some money to the host to pay for the man's lodging till he was well enough to travel.

"Now," asked Jesus, "which of the three was neighbor to this wounded man?" And the lawyer acknowledged that it was the man who had shown kindness to him. "Then," said Jesus, "Go thou, and do likewise." By which he meant that, if he wished to keep God's law and inherit eternal life, he was not to restrict himself to loving any particular people, but to be loving and kind to all, especially to those who were in need of help.

#### Questions on the Lesson

1. What question did a certain lawyer ask Jesus? 2. How did Jesus answer him? 3. What was the lawyer's reply? 4. What did Jesus say of his answer? 5. What did the lawyer ask next? 6. About whom did Jesus tell a parable? 7. What two men passed along the road first? 8. What did they do? 9. Who came next? 10. What did he do? (Tell all about it.) 11. What did Jesus then ask the lawyer? 12. What did he acknowledge? 13. What was Jesus' command? 14. What is the Golden Text?

#### Lesson Story

They called her a witch — the little old woman who lived in the tiny hut on the outskirts of the village — partly because no one knew her, or where she came from, and partly because she was so very wizened and old, and had so many cats always about her. Older people were apt to pass her by without a look or word of greeting, and thoughtless boys threw stones at her cats and laughed when she scolded them.

But when Tommy Wynne took smallpox, it was none of the neighbors, but the "old witch," who went into their house, when no one else would go near it, and who worked and

cooked, that Tommy's poor tired mother might get a little rest, never once thinking of the treatment she had received, but only of the good she could do.

#### Lesson Hymn

O, what can little hands do  
To please the King of Heaven?  
The little hands some work may try  
To help the poor in misery:  
Such grace to mine be given. Amen.  
—Hymn 532, Book of Praise

#### The Catechism

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

SHORTER CATECHISM—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.

#### The Question on Missions

26. What is the population of Trinidad? Nearly 300,000, of whom almost 100,000 are East Indians or their descendants, originally brought from India to labor on the sugar and cacao estates. Our mission is chiefly to these.

#### SOMETHING TO DRAW

We are all travelers on the journey of life.  
And every day we meet some one whom we



can help along. The Good Samaritan teaches us to be always ready to do this, even though it may be a good deal of trouble to ourselves.

#### I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD BE KIND TO ALL

Luke 11 : 1-13—Memory Verses, 9, 10.

**Golden Text**—Lord, teach us to pray.—Luke 11 : 1.

1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins ; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation ; but deliver us from evil.

5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves ;

6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him ?

7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not : the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed ; I cannot rise and give thee.

8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet he will give him as many as he needeth.

9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you ; seek, and ye shall find ; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

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

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone ? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent ?

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion ?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children : how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him ?

### THE LESSON RETOLD

When Jesus was in the world, He sometimes liked to go away alone to pray to His Father in heaven, but very often He prayed while His disciples stood near, and one day they said to Him, "John taught his disciples how to pray, will You not teach us what we should say, and what we should ask for, when we pray to God?"

Then Jesus taught them a very simple, short prayer, which we now call The Lord's Prayer. "When you pray to God," He said, "speak to Him as your Father in heaven. Pray that His name may be revered and glorified, and His will be done here, as it is done in heaven. Each day ask God to provide you daily bread, and to forgive your sins, as you must forgive those who sin against you. And pray to be kept from yielding to tempta-

tion to do wrong, and from the evil that is in the world."

Then Jesus went on to show by means of a little story, that in order to obtain a blessing from God, we must persevere in asking for it. A man had a friend, who, very late one night, came unexpectedly to stay with him. There was nothing to eat in the house, so, although it was midnight, he went to a neighbor and asked him for the loan of three loaves. But the neighbor refused, saying that his house was shut up for the night, and he and his family were in bed. Yet the man who needed the bread still persisted, until at last, to save himself from being troubled any further, the neighbor got up and gave him all the bread he needed.

If now a man would thus answer a friend

who would take no denial, how much more surely will the God of love listen to, and answer, the humble and persistent prayers of His dear children.

"So," Jesus said, "if you, too, need anything, ask God for it, for He has promised that everyone that asks shall receive. If you seek a blessing earnestly, you shall find it; and if you knock patiently at the door of God's kingdom, it shall surely be opened unto you. For God loves you, and is eager to do you good.

"An earthly father would not give a stone, which was useless as food, to his son, when he asked for bread; neither would he give him a serpent, which would harm him, when he asked for a fish; nor try to deceive him by offering him a poisonous scorpion instead of an egg. And God is better and kinder than any earthly father; so the gifts He will give His children will be only things that are good for them — and best of all is His blessed Holy Spirit, which He will grant to all those who ask Him.

#### Questions on the Lesson

1. What did the disciples ask Jesus to teach them?
2. What was the prayer He taught them? (Recite it together.)
3. Whom did Jesus tell a story about?
4. What favor did this man ask of his neighbor?
5. What time of night was it?
6. What answer did he receive?
7. What happened next?
8. What promises are given to those who ask and seek and knock?
9. What things did Jesus say a father would not offer to his son?
10. What will the heavenly Father give His children if they ask Him?
11. What is the Golden Text?

#### Lesson Story

During a terrible storm at sea one night, a woman who lived near the shore was suddenly awakened by what she thought was a cry for help. She listened, and it was repeated. Then to make sure she waited till she heard still another — a wild cry for help from a ship in distress.

She quickly dressed herself and roused the sleeping village, and soon boats put out to the wreck, and many lives were saved. One cry from the drowning people would never have brought them help — it was owing to their

perseverance that at last they were heard and saved.

#### Lesson Hymn.

Come, my soul, thy suit prepare,  
 Jesus loves to answer prayer;  
 He Himself has bid thee pray,  
 Therefore will not say thee nay. Amen.

—Hymn 398, Book of Praise

#### The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—104. **How are we baptised?** We are baptised with water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. 105. **Why is this sign used?** Because Jesus Himself commanded it.

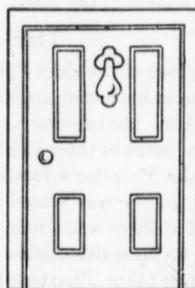
SHORTER CATECHISM—23. *What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?* A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

#### The Question on Missions

27. How many mission districts are there in Trinidad? There are four districts, each having one or more resident missionaries, namely: Tunapuna, San Fernando, Couva, and Princetown. These centres are connected by railway with one another, and with Port of Spain, the capital of the island.

#### SOMETHING TO DRAW

Rat-tat-tat! How quickly a knock at our door would bring us to welcome a friend we love! Far more quickly will God send to us



all that is really for our good, when we ask him in earnest prayer. He is always so eager to help and bless His children.

#### I Have Learned To-day

THAT I SHOULD PRAY EARNESTLY

Luke 14 : 1-14—Memory Verses, 13, 14.

**Golden Text**—He that humbleth himself shall be exalted.—Luke 14 : 11.



1 And it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath day, that they watched him.

2 And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy.

3 And Jesus answering spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day ?

4 And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go ;

5 And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day ?

6 And they could not answer him again to these things.

7 And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms ; saying unto them,

8 When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room ; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him ;

9 And he that bade thee and him come and

say to thee, Give this man place ; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.

10 But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room ; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher : then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.

11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased ; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

12 Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbours ; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.

13 But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind :

14 And thou shalt be blessed ; for they cannot recompense thee : for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

### THE LESSON RETOLD

One Sabbath day, one of the chief Pharisees invited Jesus to dine at his house, not because he wished to honor Him, but because he hoped to find Him breaking some of their strict laws.

As Jesus, with the Pharisee's family and some other invited guests, was seated at the table, He noticed that there was a man in the room afflicted with an incurable disease called dropsy. Jesus knew the Pharisees were watching Him, and that, if He cured the man on the Sabbath day, they would accuse Him of wrongdoing ; so He first asked them a question, " Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day ? " and they were silent. They could not say it was not lawful, for their laws did not really forbid a good work like this. Then

Jesus took the sick man, and laying His hands on him, cured him of his disease, and turning to the Pharisees, said, " If one of your cattle fell into a pit on the Sabbath day, would you think it wrong to pull it out? How can it be wrong then to save a man's life? " And none of them all answered Him a word.

Now, Jesus had noticed, when He entered the house, that many of the guests were anxious to choose the best places at the table—those nearest the head always being kept for the men of highest rank, and each man, anxious to be considered of some importance, planned and schemed to get the highest seat he could, so that he would be more thought of and respected by the other guests. So Jesus

taught them this lesson. He said, "When a man asks you to his house, do not immediately sit down in the best place, because some other man who is better entitled to the honor, may come in, and you will be asked to give it up. But take first a lower seat, and if your host invites you to move up to a better one, those who are sitting near will honor you more for the humble spirit you have shown than for seeking a position higher than you deserved."

And He said also that, when they gave a dinner or supper, they should not ask only their relatives and rich friends, or those whom they hoped would, in return, invite them to a still richer entertainment; but they should ask the poor and suffering, who could not repay them by inviting them again. Then, in heaven, they would get their reward for being kind to God's poor and needy ones.

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. Who asked Jesus to dinner?
2. Why did he do this?
3. What sick person was in the room?
4. What question did Jesus ask the Pharisees?
5. What did Jesus then do?
6. What did Jesus ask next?
7. Had they any answer?
8. What did He say some people did when asked to a feast?
9. What should they do?
10. Whom should they ask to their feasts?
11. How would their entertainers be rewarded?
12. The Golden Text?

**Lesson Story**

A legend tells of a king who resolved to build a church which should surpass any other on earth. For years his people toiled at it, and when, one day, it was finished, the king's name as its builder was engraved upon the corner stone.

But during the night it was miraculously changed to a woman's name instead. Amazed and angry, the king ordered it blotted out, but when this had happened three times, criers were sent through the city to find the woman who had evidently had more to do with building the church than the king. At last an old woman was brought before him, and he roughly demanded what she had done that her name should appear on the corner stone. "Nothing, my lord," she answered humbly; "only for years I have fed handfuls of hay to the horses drawing the stones for the building."

**Lesson Hymn**

O give me Samuel's heart,  
 A lowly heart, that waits  
 Where in Thy house Thou art,  
 Or watches at Thy gates.  
 By day and night, a heart that still  
 Moves at the breathing of Thy will. Amen.  
 —Hymn 577, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

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

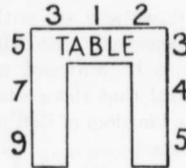
SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 20-23.

**The Question on Missions**

28. What is the Trinidad Mission doing for the young? There are 56 day schools, with nearly 6,000 pupils on the Quarterly Roll, and an average daily attendance of 3,123. There are 78 Sunday Schools, with 3,657 scholars enrolled, and 2,247 of an average attendance.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

The drawing shows how the people of Jesus' time placed themselves at table. Number 1 was the host's place. The places on either



side of this were counted the highest, and many guests at a feast were anxious to have them. But Jesus teaches His followers to be content with lowly places, leaving the higher ones to others.

**I Have Learned To-day**  
 THAT PRIDE IS HATEFUL

Luke 14 : 15-24—Memory Verses, 23, 24.

**Golden Text**—And they all with one consent began to make excuse.—Luke 14 : 18.



15 And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many :

17 And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come ; for all things are now ready.

18 And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it : I pray thee have me excused.

19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them : I pray thee have me excused.

20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

24 For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

### THE LESSON RETOLD

One of those who sat with Jesus in the Pharisee's house and heard Him tell how the good were to be rewarded in His Father's kingdom, said that those who were given a place in the kingdom of God might indeed be counted blessed.

Jesus knew that this man, as well as all the company, expected that the Messiah who had been looked for so long, would set up His kingdom on earth, and that the Jews, and above all, the scribes and Pharisees, would receive special favors and blessings. So, to show them how they had ignored and despised the invitation when it did come, and that now it was to be given to others whom these proud men thought beneath them, He told them this parable :

A certain man once prepared a great supper and asked to it all the chief men of the city. He sent out the invitations early, that his friends might have plenty of time to prepare for it, and keep that day free for his feast. But they did not appreciate his kind invita-

tion, their thoughts were so taken up with their own affairs.

But when he afterwards sent a servant, as was the custom in that country, to tell them that the feast was ready, the first man to whom the messenger came, asked him that he should be excused from going, because he was buying a piece of ground, and had promised to go and see it again before closing his bargain. Another said he had bought a yoke of oxen, and wished to find out how they could work; and still another said that he had just been married, and so could not come. And all the others had just as useless excuses.

So the servant, seeing how they all despised and refused the invitation given them, returned and told his master. And the master of the house was very angry, and said that the feast which was prepared would now be given to those who needed it—the poor and the blind and the lame—and the servant was told to go out into the streets and lanes of the city and to bring in to the supper all the needy

ones whom he found there. But when he had done this, there was still room left, and the servant was again sent forth, this time out of the city, to gather in weary travelers and the workers in the fields. He was told to urge them to come just as they were, and as quickly as possible, for the feast was ready and waiting for them, and the master wished his house to be filled with the guests.

And Jesus, concluding, said that none of the men who refused *His* invitation and treated Him in the manner of those who were first bidden, would taste of His supper in His kingdom.

### Questions on the Lesson

1. Who made a certain remark to Jesus? 2. What did he say? 3. About whom did Jesus tell a parable? 4. Whom did the lord ask to his feast? 5. What was the servant sent to do, when the feast was ready? 6. What did the first man say to him? 7. What excuse did the second give? 8. Why did the third refuse to come? 9. What did the servant do, when he heard these excuses? 10. What command did his lord then give him? 11. What did the servant report, when he returned? 12. Where was he sent next? 13. What did Jesus say of those who were first asked? 14. What is the Golden Text?

### Lesson Story

"Aren't you going to Miss Black's, Nellie?" asked Kitty Gray one Saturday afternoon, as she passed the Smith's; "you know she asked all her class to come and see the photographs she brought from abroad." "No, I don't think I'll go," answered Nellie, "I promised grandmother to go and see her some Saturday." "But you can go there any time," objected Kitty, "and it was so kind of Miss Black to ask us." "Well, I really don't care about the photographs," Nellie began.

But the little girl was very sorry, when she heard next day of the good time she had missed—the jolly games, the cake and fruit and lemonade in the wonderful conservatory, and Miss Black had even called in the gardener's children to enjoy the feast too, instead of the little guest who had not come. "The gardener's children," said Nellie "and I missed it all!"

### Lesson Hymn

Come to the Saviour, make no delay,  
Here in His word He's shown us the way;  
Here in our midst He's standing to-day,  
Tenderly saying, 'Come!'

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

—Hymn 560, Book of Praise

### The Catechism

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

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.

### The Question on Missions

29. How are the adults reached with the gospel? More than 100 services are held in churches and schoolhouses each Sabbath, by missionaries and native preachers, and through the week the gospel is carried to the homes of the people. The printed page is also used.

### SOMETHING TO DRAW

Sometimes you are invited to a birthday feast. How glad you are, and how you look



forward to the happy day! But no feast of this kind can ever give you such joy as Jesus will give, when you come to Him.

**I Have Learned Today**  
TO COME WHEN GOD CALLS

Luke 15 : 11-32—Memory Verses, 17, 18.

**Golden Text**—Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord.—Malachi 3 : 7.

11 And he said, A certain man had two sons :  
 12 And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them *his* living.

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land ; and he began to be in want.

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country ; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat : and no man gave unto him.

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger !

18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son : make me as one of thy hired servants.

20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him ; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet :

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it ; and let us eat, and be merry :

24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again ; he was lost, and is found.

25 Now his elder son was in the field : and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.

26 And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

27 And he said unto him, Thy brother is come ; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28 And he was angry, and would not go in : therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

29 And he answering said to *his* father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment : and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends :

30 But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.

31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad : for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again ; and was lost, and is found.

### THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus had been blamed by the scribes and Pharisees for associating with wicked men ; so, in a number of parables, he explains to them that these men, in spite of their wickedness, were still God's children, and they would be fully forgiven if they repented of their sins and asked God's forgiveness.

One of the parables is of a man who had two sons. The younger son, wild and thoughtless, longed to get away from home, that he might be free to do as he wished ; so he asked his father to give him all the money that would some day come to him, and taking it, he traveled away into a far country. There he met with evil companions, and in their company he soon spent everything he had. Then, when he had nothing left, a terrible famine

came upon the land, and to keep from starving, he hired himself out to a farmer, who sent him into the fields to take care of his swine.

This was the lowest of all employments for a Jew, but now that his wealth was gone, those who had once been his friends would not do anything for him. The famine made provisions so scarce and dear, that often he was so hungry and needy, that he was ready to share with the swine the husks on which they were fed.

While his money lasted, he had cared little about his father or his home, but now that he was unhappy and in want, he began to think of them, and of how even the servants there had plenty to eat, while he was starving. He

would go home, he decided, and tell his father that he had been so wicked and sinful, that he was no longer worthy to be treated as his son, and ask him if he would hire him as a servant in the house.

So he traveled the long way back to his own country, but before he reached the house, his father saw him coming, and, filled with love and pity at the sight of his son, poor, thin and ragged, ran to meet him, and threw his arms round his neck and kissed him. The son was ashamed, knowing how unworthy he was of such a loving welcome, and said, "Father, I have sinned so greatly, that I am not fit to be called your son."

But the father cried to his servants, "Put the best robe on him, and a ring on his finger, and shoes on his feet, and kill the fattened calf, that we may feast and be glad, for my son who I thought was dead, has returned safely."

Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his return, hearing what the merry-making meant, was so angry that he would not enter the house. And when his father came and begged him to come in, he complained that, although he had served his father faithfully for so many years, he had never been given a feast; yet, as soon as his wicked brother had returned, the best of everything had been given him.

But the father answered him gently, "My son, your brother is not getting anything from me that rightfully belongs to you—for everything that I possess is yours; we are only rejoicing, and it is right that we should, because he has returned home safely, when we thought he was lost or dead."

#### Questions on the Lesson

1. How many sons had a certain man?
2. What request did the younger son make?
3. Where did he go?
4. How did he use his money?
5. What happened next?
6. What work did he get to do?
7. What did he decide to do?
8. Who met him before he reached home?
9. What welcome did he get?
10. How did the son answer this greeting?
11. What did the father order to be done?
12. Who was angry because of the feast?
13. Why was he angry?
14. What did the father reply?
15. What is the Golden Text?

#### Lesson Hymn

Though I forget Him, and wander away,  
Still He doth love me wherever I stray;  
Back to His dear loving arms would I flee,  
When I remember that Jesus loves me. Amen.

—Hymn 548, Book of Praise

#### The Catechism

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

**SHORTER CATECHISM—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.

#### The Question on Missions

30. Is anything being done specially for women and girls? For years, Girls' Homes have been set up at some of the stations by the wife of the missionary, and a central Home has now been established at Princes-town under the care of Miss Archibald. Ten Bible women are employed to teach women in their homes.

#### SOMETHING TO DRAW

The ring which was given to the wandering son when he came back to his father's house,



was a sign of freedom. Slaves never wore such rings. This is a picture of what the Saviour does for us. He sets us free from sin, to serve Him with grateful, loving hearts.

**I Have Learned To-day  
TO TURN BACK FROM SIN**

## Lesson VIII. THE JUDGE, THE PHARISEE, AND THE PUBLICAN August 19, 1906

Luke 18 : 1-14—Memory Verses, 13, 14.

**Golden Text**—God be merciful to me a sinner.—Luke 18 : 13.

1 And he spake a parable unto them to *this end*, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint ;

2 Saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man :

3 And there was a widow in that city ; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary.

4 And he would not for a while : but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man ;

5 Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.

6 And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.

7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them ?

8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth ?

9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others :

10 Two men went up into the temple to pray ; the one a Pharisee, and the other a

publican. 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other : for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased ; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

Jesus spoke another parable, to teach men that they should not grow weary of praying to God for help or blessing, even if they thought that, because the answer was long delayed, God did not hear their prayers.

"Once," said Jesus, "there lived in a certain city a judge, who had no reverence for God, nor had he any regard for the opinion of men. One day a poor widow came to him, complaining that some one had wronged her, and asking the judge to see that justice was done and the man punished. But the judge had other matters to attend to, and would not attend to the woman's request. Still she persisted, until at last, to save himself from being troubled any longer, he did what she asked him to do.

"So," said Jesus, "if this wicked judge did

justice, because of a poor woman's persevering prayer, how much more shall God, who is good, answer His children when they pray to Him for help."

Then Jesus spoke still another parable, or lesson story, to those people who thought that their good works made them righteous, and who despised all who were seemingly not as good as they were.

A Pharisee and a publican went up into the temple to pray. The Pharisee stood apart by himself, being too proud to mix with the common people. He did not ask God's blessing, or forgiveness for his sins, but said, "God, I thank Thee that I am not like other men, who are greedy and unjust,—or sinful, like this publican." Then he went on to tell of his good works, of how many times he fasted,

and of how much he gave to the poor and to the church.

But the publican did not boast. He even felt so unworthy to draw near the more sacred part of the temple, that he stood far off in the outer court, where, filled with shame and sorrow at the thought of all his sins, he bowed his head and prayed God to be merciful to him, for he was a great sinner. And Jesus said, that God thought more of the prayer of the humble, penitent publican than of that of the proud Pharisee.

### Questions on the Lesson

1. Why did Jesus speak a certain parable? 2. Who was the parable about? 3. Who came with a request? 4. What was this request? 5. How was it received? 6. Why did the judge afterwards grant what was asked? 7. How did Jesus say God receives the prayers of His children? 8. To whom was Jesus' next parable spoken? 9. What two men went into the temple to pray? 10. What did the Pharisee say? 11. What prayer did the publican make? 12. Which prayer did God approve of? 13. What is the Golden Text?

### Lesson Story

"Mother, do you know who we had in our class to-day?" cried Jimmy Bain, as he came in from Sunday School.

"No," said mother, "somebody nice?"

"Nice!" sneered Jimmy. "Scotty Stubbs from Bell's Alley!—and he was just as ragged and dirty as could be, and do you know, mother, he couldn't tell a thing about any of the Bible people—never heard of Moses or Joseph."

"Perhaps he went to Sunday School because he wanted to learn, then," suggested mother.

"But he needn't come to ours," objected Jimmy, "there are only nice little boys in it."

"Oh!" said mother, "nice little boys, who never, never do anything wrong—I see. Now, if I had a Sunday School class, I would rather have in it, one boy who really and truly wanted to learn how to be better, than ten boys who thought they were already quite good enough, without needing to learn anything more." And Jimmy, blushing hotly, ran away very much ashamed.

### Lesson Hymn

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,  
Trusting only Thee!

Trusting Thee for full salvation,  
Great and free. Amen.

—Hymn 154, Book of Praise

### The Catechism

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

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.

### The Question on Missions

31. How are the teachers and preachers trained? Teachers and preachers were at first trained by the personal efforts of the missionaries. There is now at San Fernando a Training School for teachers and a Training College for preachers, to which Dr. Coffin devotes almost all his time.

### SOMETHING TO DRAW

The heavenly Father loves to see the little hands folded in prayer. The children's prayers are sweet music in His ears. He will



listen to the very youngest of them, and give them everything they need, and send His strong angels to keep them from harm. The children's prayers are sweet music in His ears.

### I Have Learned Today

THAT I SHOULD CONFESS MY SIN

Mark 10 : 17-31—Memory Verses, 23, 24.

**Golden Text**—If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.—Matthew 16 : 24.



left all, and have followed thee. 29 And Je'sus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's.

30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

31 But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last first.

17 And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

18 And Je'sus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God.

19 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth up.

21 Then Je'sus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

23 And Je'sus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Je'sus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

27 And Je'sus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.

28 Then Pe'ter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.

### THE LESSON RETOLD

Once, as Jesus was traveling on the east side of Jordan, a rich young man of high position came running to meet Him. He had been taught by his Jewish teachers that men could be saved by doing many good deeds, but in his own heart he did not think this was enough, and, learning that the teachings of Jesus were very different, he came to Him with this question, "Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus first reprov'd him for following a bad habit, which many of the Jews had, of using flattering titles to those to whom they were speaking, when in reality they meant nothing by them, and then went on to say, "You know, yourself, what rules the Commandments give for living a pure life."

"But, Master," said the young ruler, "all my life I have kept these Commandments. Is there nothing else that I must do besides?" And Jesus looked lovingly on the young

man, for He knew he was in earnest about wishing to live a godly life; but He knew also, that he loved his wealth more than he loved God, so, to test him and show him that in spite of keeping all the Commandments, he still came far short of being perfect, Jesus said, "If you are willing to give up your riches to God's service, and to come and follow Me as My disciple, then you will receive in heaven the reward of eternal life."

When the young man heard what Jesus said, and that this was the only way to gain eternal life, he went away very sorrowful, for he felt as if he could not part with all his riches and treasures. Jesus looked after him sadly, then turned to His disciples, saying, that it was hard for those who were very fond of riches to enter into the kingdom of God. The care of their wealth occupied all their thoughts, and their own pleasures were more to them than doing God's will.

The disciples, surprised at Jesus' words, said, "Who then can be saved?" "With men it is impossible," replied Jesus, "but not with God—He can turn men's hearts even from the love of riches to love and service of Himself."

Then Peter said, "Lord, we have given up everything to follow Thee; what shall we have as a reward?" And Jesus answered, that all who gave up what they loved to follow Him, would, even although they might have persecutions in this world, have also peace and joy and other blessings, that would be worth a hundred times more than what they had lost, and in heaven, they would be given eternal life.

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. Who came running to meet Jesus ?
2. What did he ask ?
3. What did Jesus say to him first ?
4. Who did He ask the young man next ?
5. What did the young man reply ?
6. What did Jesus tell him to do ?
7. Why did he then go away ?
8. What did Jesus say to His disciples ?
9. What remark did they make ?
10. What did Jesus reply ?
11. What did Peter remind Jesus of ?
12. How did Jesus answer him ?
13. What is the Golden Text ?

**Lesson Story**

A young man, brought up in a wealthy home, where he had every luxury that heart could desire, suddenly decided to go out to China as a missionary. A friend remonstrated with him. "Think of what you are giving up," he said. "With your wealth, there is almost nothing you cannot get or do, if you wish it."

"For whom?" asked the young man. "Why, for yourself; or, if you want to be self-denying, be so at home. Build a college or a hospital with your money."

"Ah, but that would still be for myself," was the answer, "for my own glory. What I intend to do instead will, I hope, be only for the glory of God. He gave me health and strength, as well as wealth, not for my own selfish enjoyment, but to be spent in His service. Besides," he added, "the riches that I shall receive in His kingdom are a hundred times more precious in my sight than anything I am giving up."

**Lesson Hymn**

Take my silver and my gold ;  
Not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine ;  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own ;  
It shall be Thy royal throne. Amen.  
—Hymn 238, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

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

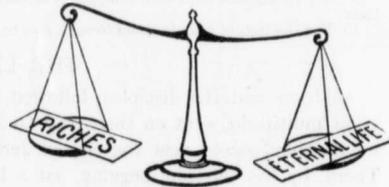
S. CATECHISM—Review Questions 24-26.

**The Question on Missions**

32. How does the Mission obtain Christian writings? The Mission gets from India, Hindi and Urdu Bibles, books and tracts ; but a printing press has been set up at Tuna-puna to meet the need of local Hindi literature.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

Put a piece of gold or silver on each side of a pair of scales, and by the side that goes down you know which is the heavier piece,



and therefore worth the most. The young ruler thought his riches were worth more than eternal life. But Jesus tells us that eternal life is worth more than the whole world.

**I Have Learned To-day That  
I SHOULD FOLLOW JESUS WHOLLY**

Luke 18 : 35 to 19 : 10—Memory Verses, 42, 43.

**Golden Text**—The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.—Luke 19 : 10.



house. 6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.  
7 And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.  
8 And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord ; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor ; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.  
9 And Je'sus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forso much as he also is a son of A'bra-ham.  
10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

### THE LESSON RETOLD

As Jesus and His disciples, followed by a great multitude, went on their way to Jerusalem, they passed near the city of Jericho. There, by the wayside, begging, sat a blind man named Bartimæus. He heard the tramp of many feet and the sound of many voices, and, asking what it meant, was told that Jesus of Nazareth, the great Healer, was passing by. Immediately Bartimæus was filled with the hope that he, too, might be cured, and cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." The crowd tried to silence him, but he only cried the louder ; and Jesus, who listens to every cry of distress, heard him, and called the people to bring the man nearer.

"What is it you want of Me ?" Jesus then asked.

"To receive my sight, O Lord," prayed Bartimæus. And Jesus said, "Because you have believed on Me, you shall be cured."

35 And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jer'icho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging :

36 And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.

37 And they told him, that Je'sus of Naz'areth passeth by.

38 And he cried, saying, Je'sus, thou Son of Da'vid, have mercy on me.

39 And they which went before rebuked him ; that he should hold his peace : but he cried so much the more, Thou Son of Da'vid, have mercy on me.

40 And Je'sus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him : and when he was come near, he asked him,

41 Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee ? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

42 And Je'sus said unto him, Receive thy sight : thy faith hath saved thee.

43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God : and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

Ch. 19 : 1 And Je'sus entered and passed through Jer'icho.

2 And, behold, there was a man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Je'sus who he was ; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him : for he was to pass that way.

5 And when Je'sus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchæus, make haste, and come down ; for to day I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

7 And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

8 And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord ; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor ; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

9 And Je'sus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forso much as he also is a son of A'bra-ham.

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

And immediately the man received his sight, and, thanking and praising God, he, too, followed Jesus.

As the company entered the city, more people came out to see the Man who worked such wonders, and among them was the chief of the publicans, or tax-gatherers, named Zacchæus. Being a small man, he was afraid that in the crush he would not catch a glimpse of the great Teacher ; so he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree by the way-side. What was his surprise, when Jesus stopped beneath the tree and, looking up, called him by his name, and told him to hurry down, for He wished to be his guest that day !

Instantly Zacchæus was on the ground, welcoming Jesus joyfully ; but when the people heard that the Messiah intended to stay at the house of the chief publican, a dwelling which no respectable Jew would enter,

they spoke harshly of Him amongst themselves.

Zacchæus knew that they despised him, and, grateful to Jesus for treating him with respect, and honoring his house with His presence, said before them all, "Lord, to show that I am sorry for my evil ways, and how much I thank Thee for Thy kindness, I promise to give half my goods to the poor, and whatever I have unjustly taken from any man, I will repay him fourfold."

When Jesus heard this, He said, so that all the people might hear, "This man, although a sinner, is still one of God's chosen people, and because he has shown himself humble and penitent, his sins are forgiven him this day. And," concluded Jesus, "this is what I came into the world for,—to seek and to save the sinful and the lost."

#### Questions on the Lesson

1. To what city did Jesus draw near? 2. Who sat by the wayside? 3. What did he cry out? 4. What did Jesus say and do to him? 5. How did the blind man show his gratitude? 6. Who was anxious to see Jesus passing through the city? 7. How did he do this? 8. What happened when Jesus reached the tree? 9. Why did the people object to Jesus' plan? 10. What did Zacchæus promise? 11. How did Jesus reply? 12. What is the Golden Text?

#### Lesson Story

Frank had been taught, ever since he was a tiny boy, to be just and truthful; so his father was very grieved, when, one day, he found him cheating at marbles. "Did you not know you were doing wrong?" he asked.

"Marbles aren't much", but Frank hung his head as he said it. "It is sinful to cheat even in the smallest thing," answered his father.

"How would it do," suggested Frank, "to tell Jack I am sorry, and give him back twice as many marbles?"

"But you must tell God you are sorry, too, and ask His forgiveness," said his father.

"I will," Frank promised, "and I will never cheat again."

#### Lesson Hymn

Light of life, so softly shining  
From the blood-besprinkled tree;  
Never waning nor declining,  
Shine, shine on me—

*Never waning nor declining,*

*Shine, shine on me. Amen.*

—Hymn 576, Book of Praise

#### The Catechism

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

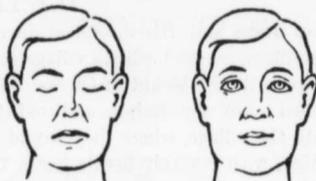
SHORTER CATECHISM—27. *Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?* A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

#### The Question on Missions

33. What are some of the fruits of the mission work? Nearly 8,000 have been baptized. Many lives have been changed, many homes brightened, and many deaths made happy. A whole generation of children has been taught to read, many of them in both English and Hindi.

#### SOMETHING TO DRAW

What a beautiful world we live in, with its blue sky, and leafy trees and bright flowers and green grass! How thankful we should



be for eyes that can see! It is just as wonderful for Jesus to give us our sight when we come into the world, and to preserve it, as it was for Him to open the eyes of blind Bartimæus.

**I Have Learned Today**  
THAT JESUS WILL SAVE ME

Lesson XI. **JESUS ENTERS JERUSALEM IN TRIUMPH** September 9, 1906

Matthew 21 : 1-17—Memory Verses, 9-11.

**Golden Text**—Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.—Matthew 21 : 9.

1 And when they drew nigh unto Jeru'salem, and were come to Beth'p'age, unto the mount of Ol'ives, then sent Je'sus two disciples,

2 Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her : loose *them*, and bring *them* unto me.

3 And if any *man* say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them ; and straightway he will send *them*.

4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

5 Tell ye the daughter of Si'on, Behold thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

6 And the disciples went, and did as Je'sus commanded them.

7 And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set *him* thereon.

8 And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way ; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.

9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosan'na to the Son of Da'vid : Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord ; Hosan'na in the highest.

10 And when he was come into Jeru'salem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this ?

11 And the multitude said, This is Je'sus the prophet of Naz'areth of Gal'ilee.

12 And Je'sus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.

13 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer ; but ye have made

t a den of thieves. 14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple ; and he healed them. 15 And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosan'na to the Son of Da'vid ; they were sore displeased,

16 And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say ? And Je'sus saith unto them, Yea ; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise ?

17 And he left them, and went out of the city into Beth'an'y ; and he lodged there.

**THE LESSON RETOLD**

At last Jesus and His disciples, drawing near Jerusalem, reached a little village called Bethphage, near the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus called two of the disciples and told them to go into the village, where they would find an ass tied, with her colt beside her. They were to loose them, and bring them to Him, and if the owners objected, they were to say, "The Lord hath need of them", and they would immediately be allowed to take them.

The disciples did as Jesus commanded, and bringing the animals to Him, they laid their cloaks upon the colt, and setting Jesus upon it, they continued their journey to Jerusalem. With them went a great multitude from Galilee, proud of the Prophet who had worked such wonders in their midst, and, just as they paid homage to a king entering his kingdom, by strewing flowers and branches, as well as their long loose cloaks, on the road for him to walk over, so they did now for the King of kings ; and as they went, they sang, "Hosan-

na to the Son of David", and, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord". Soon they were joined by others—bands of pilgrims who were going up to Jerusalem to the Feast of the Passover—and as this great company, surrounding the meek and lowly Jesus, entered the city, singing and praising God, people wonderingly asked, who this could be. And the multitude answered, "Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth."

When they came to the temple, Jesus left His beast and entered the sacred building. There, in the outer courts, was a great noise and confusion,—men were buying and selling doves and other animals used in the sacrifices, and changing money for the pilgrims who had come from a distance.

Jesus was very angry when He saw His Father's holy temple being used for such purposes, and turning to the crowd which followed Him, said, "God appointed that His temple should be a house of prayer, and these

men are making it a den of robbers." Then, by Jesus' command, the courts were cleared of those who were thus dishonoring God's house. And as they with their goods were driven out, there entered instead, crowds of sick and suffering people, and Jesus healed them all, and the children who were in the temple, seeing the wonders, kept up the shouts of praise, "Hosanna to the Son of David."

The jealous scribes and Pharisees were angry that even children were acknowledging Jesus as the Messiah, and said, "Do you know what these are irreverently calling you?" And Jesus answered them gently, "Yes, but have you never read in the scriptures that God said, 'Even little children can give Me perfect praise'?" And, leaving the city, He went back to Bethany till next day.

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. To what village did Jesus and His disciples draw near?
2. On what errand did He send two of them?
3. What prophecy was once spoken about this occasion?
4. What happened next?
5. What did the multitude do?
6. What did they sing?
7. What happened when the crowd entered the city?
8. Into what building did Jesus go?
9. What did He find there?
10. What did He do?
11. Who then came to Him in the temple?
12. What did the children sing?
13. Who was angry?
14. How did Jesus answer them?
15. Golden Text?

**Lesson Story**

It was the custom in a certain Christian school in India, to begin the day with prayer and the singing of a hymn. One morning a heathen Hindu passed, and hearing the children's happy voices, asked a friend who this new God was, whom they were praising. On being told it was the Christians' God, he said, "Ah, they are wise, these Christians, they are taking the best way to spread their religion and make it amount to something—they are beginning with the children. It is they who make the men of the future, and when they have grown, this God whom they have learned to praise and worship in their youth, will be more to them than any others they may hear of later."

**Lesson Hymn**

All glory, laud and honor,  
 To Thee, Redeemer, King!  
 To whom the lips of children  
 Made sweet hosannas ring.  
 Thou art the King of Israel,  
 Thou, David's royal Son,  
 Who in the Lord's name comest,  
 The King and blessed one. Amen.  
 —Hymn 541, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

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

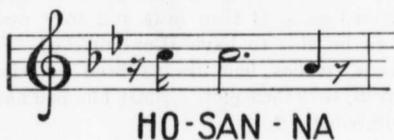
**SHORTER CATECHISM—28. Wherein consisteth Christ's exaltation? A. Christ's exaltation consisteth in his rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.**

**The Question on Missions**

34. Where is British Guiana? It is a British colony on the northeast coast of South America, containing three counties, Demerara, Berbice and Essequibo. In each of these there is a mission station. As in Trinidad, our missionaries work chiefly among the East Indian immigrants.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

"Hosanna!" So the children sang to Jesus, their King, in the temple. And no song was ever more welcome to Him. He is now



on His throne in heaven, but He still listens eagerly to the children's praises. Let them be sure He is glad to hear their hymns.

**I Have Learned Today  
 TO PRAISE JESUS AS MY KING**

## Lesson XII. JESUS SILENCES THE PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES September 16, 1906

Mark 12 : 13-27—Memory Verse, 27.

**Golden Text**—Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's.—Mark 12 : 17.

13 And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in his words.

14 And when they were come, they said unto him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man : for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth : Is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not ?

15 Shall we give, or shall we not give ? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why tempt ye me ? bring me a penny, that I may see it.

16 And they brought it. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription ? And they said unto him, Cæsar's.

17 And Jesus answering said unto them, Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's. And they marvelled at him.

18 Then come unto him the Sadducees, which say there is no resurrection ; and they asked him, saying,

19 Master, Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave his wife behind him, and leave no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

20 Now there were seven brethren : and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.

21 And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed : and the third likewise.

22 And the seven had her, and left no seed : last of all the woman died also.

23 In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be of them ? for the seven had her to wife.

24 And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God ?

25 For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage ; but are as the angels which are in heaven.

26 And as touching the dead, that they rise : have ye not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob ?

27 He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living : ye therefore do greatly err.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

The scribes and Pharisees had again and again asked Jesus confusing questions, in the hope that in answering them He would speak against some of their laws and they would then be able to have Him punished. But Jesus' replies had always been so wisely given, that their plots against him had never succeeded.

At last these men who hated Jesus planned another difficult question, which they hoped at last would confuse Him. They sent to Him a number of Pharisees and Herodians, who came very humbly, as if they were really anxious to learn what was right. "Master," they said, "we know that Thou teachest God's truth, and what Thou knowest to be right, without fear of men's opinions ; so we know Thou wilt not fear to tell us whether we ought to pay tribute to Cæsar or not."

These wicked men thought that, whichever way Jesus answered this question, He would

be in their power. If He advised them to pay tribute, the Pharisees, who considered that God was their only King, and that in paying taxes to Cæsar, the Roman Emperor who had conquered their country, they were being disloyal to God, would at last be able to accuse Him to the Jews of holding an opinion contrary to their sacred laws. On the other hand, if Jesus advised them not to pay taxes to Cæsar, the Herodians, who were friendly to Cæsar, would accuse Him of being an enemy of the emperor, and so have Him put to death.

But Jesus saw through their evil design, and said, "Bring me a Roman penny." And when they did so, He held it up, asking, "Whose image and titles are on this ?" and they answered, "Cæsar's."

"Then," said Jesus, "give to Cæsar the things that rightfully belong to him, and to God whatever belongs to Him, as His due."

And even these wicked men went away wondering at this wise reply.

Next came a number of Sadducees—men who did not believe in a future life,—and they told Jesus of a certain case which they thought might be difficult to settle at the resurrection. They wished to puzzle Jesus. But Jesus answered, "Your ideas about these things are wrong, because you do not understand what the scriptures say of them. Those who are counted worthy to enter the kingdom, will not live as men do here, but will be like the angels, with no earthly thoughts or desires. To prove to them that, when a man died, his soul lived on, Jesus said this also to them, "You teach, too, that the souls of those who die cannot live again. Why then did God say to Moses, in the burning bush, 'I am the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob' ? He cannot be the God of persons who do not exist ; so these must still be living , and will, with all God's people, be raised again at the resurrection." And hearing this, the Sadducees also went away humbled.

**Questions on the Lesson**

1. Who now came to Jesus with a confusing question ?
2. What was the question ?
3. Who was Caesar ?
4. What did Jesus ask them to bring Him ?
5. What did He then say ?
6. Who next came to Jesus ?
7. In what did they not believe ?
8. Why had they come ?
9. Why were their ideas wrong ?
10. How did Jesus prove from the scriptures that there is a future life ?
11. What is the Golden Text ?

**Lesson Story**

A certain king had a forester who had served him faithfully for many years, but it was reported to him that this man spent all his Sabbaths after church, in teaching Bible lessons to the village children, or reading to the sick and aged in their homes.

Jealous that his servant should spend any of his time on others besides himself, the king sent for him, and ordered him to work on Sabbaths as on other days. "My lord," replied the forester fearlessly, "six days of the week I serve thee faithfully, but the seventh belongs to the King of kings." And the king, ashamed at this reproof, let him go.

**Lesson Hymn**

Know that the Lord is God indeed ;  
 Without our aid he did us make ;  
 We are his flock, he doth us feed,  
 And for his sheep he doth us take. Amen.  
 —Ps. Sel. 72, Book of Praise

**The Catechism**

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

**SHORTER CATECHISM—29. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?** A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

**The Question on Missions**

35. What is the history of the British Guiana Mission? It was begun in 1885 by Rev. John Gibson, was closed on his death in 1888, and re-opened in 1896. Three missionaries have retired from that field on account of sickness. On December 13, 1905, Rev. J. D. McKay was drowned in the river Esse- quibo. Our only missionary in that field now is Rev. J. B. Cropper.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

You know that the head of King Edward is stamped on our coins. So we should bear the image of our heavenly King, even Jesus.



Every time we speak a kind and loving word, or do a helpful deed, others may see that blessed image reflected in us.

**I Have Learned To-day That**  
 JESUS IS THE ALL-WISE ONE

Lesson XIII.

## REVIEW

September 23, 1906

**Golden Text**—And they were astonished at his doctrine : for his word was with power.— Luke 4 : 32.

REPEAT—Golden Texts for Quarter. (As the Quarterly Review of the Lessons comes one Sabbath in advance this Quarter, the Review of Supplemental Lessons will be given with Lesson XIV. for next Sabbath.)

### The Gentle Jesus

There was no one ever in all the world who possessed so much power as Jesus—He could still the waves instantly in the wildest storm, He could make blind men see, and sick men well, He could even raise the dead to life again. But He was very gentle as well,—strong and gentle. Let us follow Him through the Lessons of the Quarter, and see how gentle He was.

He takes a little child lovingly in His arms (Lesson I.), as He says, "The one who is most like this humble, trustful child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

When one of His disciples asks Him whether he should forgive a person who had offended him as many as seven times, He replies (Lesson II.), "Yes, seventy times seven"—never cease forgiving.

That is a beautiful story of the Good Samaritan (Lesson III.). It came straight out of the gentle heart of Jesus, who loved all men, of every race and sort.

And how full of gentleness and love is His lesson to the disciples on prayer (Lesson IV.). It is "Our Father," He teaches us to say.

That poor man with the dropsy, who was healed by Jesus, as He sat at the Pharisee's feast (Lesson V.), would sing loudly of the great Master's kindness, and so (Lesson VI.) would the poor and the outcast, who, He said, were welcome in His kingdom.

Every child knows the story of the Prodigal Son (Lesson VII.) who went so far away from home, and lived so foolishly and wickedly, and suffered so much. How tenderly Jesus tells it, and with what joy, when the prodigal comes back to his father's house!

And just as great delight He takes in showing (Lesson VIII.) how gracious God is to hear those who persevere in praying, and in praising the humble publican, rather than the proud and self-satisfied Pharisee.

Jesus loved the rich young ruler (Lesson IX.), and was very gentle with him, because

He saw that he was truly anxious to learn what he ought to do.

The opening of the blind man's eyes, and the blessings bestowed on Zacchæus, the publican (Lesson X.), whom every one else despised ; the lowly beast which He chose to carry Him into Jerusalem as a King (Lesson XI.); and the patience with which He answered His enemies when they tried to entrap Him in His speech (Lesson XII.); all display the gentleness of this meek and lowly Saviour. No one need ever fear Him, unless he is unwilling to give up his sins.

### Lesson Hymn

Gentle Jesus, meek and mild,  
Look upon a little child ;  
Pity my simplicity,  
Suffer me to come to Thee.

Fain I would to Thee be brought —  
Dearest Lord, forbid it not ;  
Give a little child a place  
In the kingdom of Thy grace. Amen.

—Hymn 523, Book of Praise

### The Catechism

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

SHORTER CATECHISM—Review Questions 27-29.

### The Question on Missions

36. In what other lands has mission work been helped from Trinidad? In St. Lucia, carried on by our own church ; in Grenada, by the Church of Scotland; in Jamaica, by the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica ; in India, by return immigrants.

**I Have Learned To-day**  
TO BE GENTLE, LIKE JESUS

**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. Jesus and the Children.

LESSON VII. The Parable of the Two Sons.

LESSON II. The Duty of Forgiveness.

LESSON VIII. The Judge, The Pharisee, and The Publican.

LESSON III. The Good Samaritan.

LESSON IX. The Rich Young Ruler.

LESSON IV. Jesus Teaching How to Pray.

LESSON X. Bartimæus and Zacchæus.

LESSON V. Jesus Dines with a Pharisee.

LESSON XI. Jesus Enters Jerusalem in Triumph.

LESSON VI. False Excuses.

LESSON XII. Jesus Silences the Pharisees and Sadducees.

LESSON XIV. Temperance Lesson.

## Lesson XIV. REVIEW, SUPPLEMENTAL LESSONS September 30, 1906

BIBLE WORK. SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGES. SHORTER CATECHISM—Questions 20-29. PRIMARY CATECHISM—Questions 100-115. SUPPLEMENTAL HYMN—585, Book of Praise. THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS—Ques. 24-36.

## TEMPERANCE LESSON

Galatians 5 : 15-26 ; 6 : 7, 8—Memory Verses, ch. 6 : 7, 8.

**Golden Text**—Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging.—Proverbs 20 : 1.



15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

16 *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh : and these are contrary the one to the other : so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these* ; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like : of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance : against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

Ch. 6 : 7 Be not deceived ; God is not mocked : for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption ; but he that soweth the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

Through the teachings of Paul, the great apostle of the Gentiles, the Galatians had given up their heathen beliefs for the pure and simple religion of Jesus Christ. But some time after Paul left their country, he heard that a number of Jews were seeking to teach them, instead, that if they observed the rites and ceremonies of the laws of Moses, these and their good works would save them and give them favor with God.

So Paul wrote these Galatian people a letter filled with good advice, and in it he warned them not to become slaves to these old Jewish laws, for Christ had made them free from sin, and from the need of doing such things.

Still, they were not to think, that, because they were *free*, they might follow their own worldly wishes altogether, for there were a great many evil things in their midst that they must avoid, and the best way to do this was to live under the influence of the Holy Spirit, and then it would be easier to overcome temptation. The sinful pleasures of the world might seek to draw them away from what was right and good, but the Holy Spirit was so much stronger than the world, that, if they would only allow themselves to be led by Him, they would be able to resist and overcome evil.

And Paul went on to remind the Galatians

what wicked things a worldly nature produced ; and among them,—idolatry, murder, hatred, jealousy, and a great many others,—he mentioned drunkenness as a terrible evil to be avoided. Wine may seem to be a pleasant thing at first, but anyone who indulges in it constantly, soon grows weak in character and in health. He becomes such a slave to this bad habit, that he cannot give it up, and at last no one can depend on, or trust him—his business cannot prosper, and his home becomes unhappy. But, added to these sad results, Paul declared solemnly that those who continue this evil habit, or the others mentioned, cannot enter the kingdom of heaven.

Then he showed them how different was the character of the people who allow themselves to be led by the Holy Spirit. They are filled with love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance, and being Christ's, have given up the evil things they once loved and practised in their lives.

"So," said Paul, "all we who are Christians must allow our lives to be guided by the Holy Spirit, and show these signs of following Him, —not seeking for praise or glory, not provoking one another to anger, not envying one another, for God cannot be deceived, and 'whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.' If he cultivates evil habits, nothing will come of them but punishment, but if he cultivates the pure habits of the Spirit, he will be rewarded for so doing, with everlasting life."

#### Questions on the Lesson

1. Who was Paul ?
2. What had he heard about the Christian Galatians ?
3. What did he do ?
4. What did he warn them against ?
5. Who, did he say, had made them free ?
6. Under whose influence were they to live ?
7. How could they be able to resist evil ?
8. What were some of the evil things a worldly nature produced ?
9. What special evil often makes a man a slave ?
10. What will happen to people who do these evil things ?
11. What are people filled with, who are led by the Spirit ?
12. What is said of a man sowing bad habits ?
13. Of a man sowing good habits ?
14. What is the Golden Text ?

#### Lesson Story

"Don't plant those nasty weeds in your garden, Master Bert," said the old gardener.

"But they look so pretty," Bert objected, and in they went.

But alas, they were soon so big and strong, that they choked out all his pretty flowers; and the faster he pulled up the weeds, the faster they seemed to grow.

"Weeds are like bad habits, Bert," said his mother one day. "They may seem nice at first, but they are hard to get rid of when once they have grown so strong that they choke out all the good thoughts and habits in a person's heart."

#### Lesson Hymn

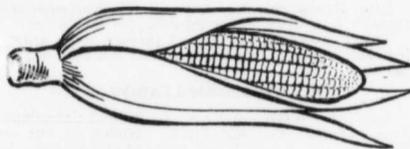
We are little children,  
Weak and apt to stray ;  
Saviour, guide and keep us  
In the heavenly way.

Save us, Lord, from sinning,  
Watch us day by day ;  
Help us now to love Thee ;  
Take our sins away. Amen.

—Hymn 528, Book of Praise .

#### SOMETHING TO DRAW

Farmers are glad when they see in their fields fine, full ears of corn, such as the drawing shows. But to have them they must sow



the right kind of seed. So we must do the right kind of actions, if we expect our great and loving Master to be pleased with us.

**I Have Learned Today**  
**NOT TO TOUCH STRONG DRINK**

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