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## LITTLE PLAYMATES.

What do you suppose these three little girls are doing, sitting so closely together on the ground? They have been gathering pretty wild-flowers, and are now arranging them in their laps. It is May Day, and the school teacher has promised the children of her class that they may have a May-pole. Some of the boys have spent the morning in fixing the big pole in the ground and fastening the gay coloured ribbons to it. To-morrow morning they will adorn it with the pretty flowers which the girls have gathered, and in the afternoon the parents will come to watch the little ones rollicking about the May-pole.



A little girl was once punished for wrong doing, when she said: "O those commandments do break awful easy!" And it is true that it is very easy to sin. This is the reason why we should ask Jesus every morning to keep us from sinning through the day.

## SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, SECOND QUARTER.

LESSON 6.] PAUL PREACHING TO THE JEWS. MAY 9.

Acts 13. 26-39.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins.—Acts 13. 38.

MEMORY VERSES, 38, 39.—Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:

And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

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

## LESSON STORY.

In to-day's lesson we find Barnabas and Saul, or Paul as he was called, in a certain city in Asia. On the Sabbath day they went to the house of prayer. Paul rose up and began the story that he loved to tell. It was about Jesus and his love. He told both Jews and Gentiles that this love and salvation was for them. He told how Jesus, the Saviour, was put to death by the Jews, and how he rose from the dead, and now offered forgiveness of sins to all who would believe in him. Many of the Gentiles believed, but the Jews were angry and treated the apostles so badly that they had to go away and leave them in their darkness and sin.

## LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. What name was given Saul now?

*Paul.*

2. Where did Paul and Barnabas go on the Sabbath?

*To the house of prayer.*

3. What made the Jews angry with Paul?

*Because he preached Jesus.*

4. How did the Jews think they could be saved?

*By keeping the Jewish law.*

## 5. Whom did Paul teach could save them ?

*Jesus.*

Tell the truth about Jesus,  
Tell it all abroad,  
So that all the world may know  
Christ, the Son of God.

Send the word to everyone,  
Send it far and wide,  
How he came, the blessed Son,  
And for sinners died.

## A WISE GIRL.

Edith is only a schoolgirl, and not very wise. Neither is she rich in this world's goods, but she has some of the wisdom that is better than any to be gotten from books. She is a young girl, but she has learned "in whatsoever state" she is "to be content." She has not learned the lesson perfectly, but she does not spend her time fretting over things that she does not have. She enjoys what she has.

"Don't you wish that you were going to the seashore?" asked Margaret.

"I would like it," says Edith, "but I'm glad that I'm going to grandpa's. I always have a good time there."

"Wouldn't you like to have a new dress like Mary's?" asked Jessie.

"Yes, but I like mine just as well," is the answer.

Edith has what a wise man calls "the little sprig of content" which gives a rich flavour to everything, no matter how tasteless.

## JESUS IS COMING.

"What would you do," said the leader of a children's meeting, "if you knew Jesus was coming to your house to-morrow?"

"Get ready," said a little boy.

"Be glad," said another.

"Ask him to forgive me," said a third.

But he is coming, and he is here now? Jesus is everywhere every day, seeing all we do, hearing all we say, even knowing all we think! If we believe it, let us act as if we did.



### STRAYED BABY.

Our picture shows a tiny little girl who wandered away from her home and got lost. The poor little thing was very much frightened and so began to cry. She is a dear little child with bright golden hair and blue eyes, and in spite of her ragged old clothes and dirty face is sweet and lovable. Her mother is very poor and has to work hard to earn a living for herself and little ones. For that reason she has not time to keep the children clean and tidy, nor can she devote much time to looking after them.

Should not all little children who have nice homes and kind friends to care for them, be very thankful, and pray the good God to watch over the poor washer-woman's children?



Said a mother to a little girl, who evidently objected to seeing another child petted: "Why, Susie, I believe that you're jealous!" "No, mamma," she replied; "I'm not jealous, but I don't feel com'fable."