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## THE SIGNAL.

I wonder if any of my readers have seen a storm at sea, or what is much worse, have ever been in one. If not, you can scarcely have any idea of how great are its perils and how anxiously beat the hearts of the people who are at the mercy of an angry sea. Being tossed about on the stormy billows is terrible. It is hard for even the bravest hearts not to despair. The sea seems to mock one. Then how welcome is the least flicker of light, all the more if it bespeaks help and probable rescue.

A common custom of the life-boat men on a rocky coast is to light a torch as a signal that the peril of the ship is seen and that aid will be given.

## SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FOURTH QUARTER.

LESSON 7.]

PAUL'S MINISTRY IN ROME.

[Nov. 14.

Acts 28. 17-31.

GOLDEN TEXT.—I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.—Rom. 1. 16.

MEMORY VERSES, 30, 31.—And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

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

## LESSON STORY.

After Paul had been in Rome three days he invited the chief Jews to come and see him. He wanted to let them know that he had done nothing to deserve chains. He had displeased the Jews simply by preaching about Jesus and the resurrection. He fixed a day when they might come again. Some did come and believed, but others did not.

For two whole years Paul lived in Rome and preached even though he was a prisoner. But at last he was beheaded at Rome. He wanted to die for Jesus, and God gave him his desire.

## LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Whom did Paul ask to visit him?

*The Chief Jews.*

2. Why did he do this?

*To tell them the real truth about his imprisonment, and also about Jesus.*

3. Did the Jews all believe?

*No, but some did.*

4. How long did Paul remain in Rome?

*Two years.*

5. How finally did Paul die?  
*He was beheaded at Rome.*
6. What was Paul's great subject in preaching?  
*Golden Text.*

### THE WAY THE CHILDREN GROW.

A little rain and a little sun,  
And a little pearly dew,  
And a pushing up and a reaching out,  
Then leaves and tendrils all about;—  
Ah, that's the way the flowers grow,  
Don't you know?

And a little work and a little play,  
And lots of quiet sleep;  
A cheerful heart and a sunny face,  
And lessons learned, and things in place;—  
Ah, that's the way the children grow,  
Don't you know?

### WORKING FOR JESUS.

Tiny said, "I am so happy; I do love the flowers and birdies, and you, and everybody so much; and I love God who made us all so happy. Sister, I wish I could give him something—something that would give me trouble. Can't you think of something?"

Leila said, "Perhaps you could print a text for the flowers mother sends to the hospital every week?"

"Oh! I should like that; I will print, 'Suffer the little children to come unto me.'"

Tiny was only six years old and she could not print more than two letters a day. When the text was done she prayed, "Please, God, I did this text for you; please take it from Tiny, for Jesus' sake."

The text was sent to the hospital and was given to a little boy who was very sick and afraid to die. It led him to love the Saviour, and he was no longer afraid. Just before he died he said, "Please, Lord Jesus, I am coming." The little girl's work had helped to bring him to Jesus.



### IN DANGER.

Farmer Jones was having a new bridge built. All the neighbours' men had come to help hoist the great heavy beams. This they called a "building-bee," for there must have been as many as twenty men. Little Mabel thought it was great fun having so many people around, and when the men all sat down to dinner at a long table made of planks laid on barrels, she said it "'minded her of the church tea-meetin'."

Little Mabel thought she would like to see what had been done, so she started off to the new bridge. Soon she was missed, and after a little search, her mother looked out of the door and spied a little figure walking on the beams of the new bridge. She was much frightened for she feared the wee tot might fall through on the sharp stones beneath and be killed. As fast as possible she and her husband ran to the bridge and caught the little child before any harm happened to her.