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SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON 6.] WORKING AND WAITING FOR CHRIST. [AUGUST 8.

1 Thess. 4. 9, to 5. 2.

GOLDEN TEXT.—If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.—John 14. 3.

MEMORY VERSES, 16-18. (Read 1 Thess, chapters 4 and 5.)—For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

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

LESSON STORY.

Paul wrote a letter from Corinth to the Thessalonian Christians to comfort them on the loss of their friends who had died. Paul knew that we cannot help being grieved when our dear friends leave us, but we must not grieve like those who have no hope. Jesus died, and rose from the dead, and so we believe that we shall be raised also if we love and follow him. The Lord Jesus said before he went away that he should come back again, and although we do not know when he will come, we may be sure of it. Our part is to believe him, work for him, and wait for him.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

- What did Paul in his letter urge the Thessalonians to do?
 To love one another more and more.
- 2. What else did Paul do?

He comforted those whose friends had died.

- 3. Why should not Christians mourn for the dead like others?

 Because we believe they will be raised again.
- 4. Why do we believe this?

Because Christ is the resurrection and the life.

THE DEAREST THINGS.

When God both make a lovely thing The finest and completest, He makes it little, don't you know? For little things are sweetest.

Little flowers, little birds,
Little diamonds, little pearls:
But the dearest things on earth
Are the little boys and girls.

BABY BOB.

Baby Bob is "the sweetest little boy that ever was." So says his sister Eva. He scarcely ever cries, and will play contentedly for hours with his blocks on the nursery floor. One of his nicest toys, though a very cheap one, is a little crimson and pink tissue-paper ball which was sent him by his Aunt Laura, who is a missionary in far-off Japan. She says these are what the little Japanese children play with, for they have no rubber balls in Japan. There is a little hole in one end in which you blow. When the ball is full of air, you bat it about with the hand. It is surprising how well the air stays in and how long these balls will last.

Though all the readers of DEW DROPS have not friends in Japan to send them toys, they could all have a gay tissue-paper ball. They are very simply made of eight pieces cut like the pieces in a football, and neatly glued together with a little round piece the size of a penny pasted on each end to make it firm, and a small hole in one end through which to blow.

WASHING FOR DOLLY.

Ain't you 'shamed, you naughty dolly? Ain't you 'shamed'as you can be? 'Cause you made your clothes so dirty: see the trouble you've made me! Oh, you needn't hang your head so; that won't help the thing a bit. Here's your mother, naughty dolly, hard at work; just think of it! But I've learned a lesson, dolly: I'll be good as I can be; My mamma shall not be tired doing extra work for me.



PLAYING PREACHER.

Little Elsie is very fond of going to church, and although she cannot understand much that the minister says, she enjoys watching him from the corner of the big square pew which is right opposite the pulpit.

During the week-days one of her favourite pastimes is "playing preacher." She puts her big Child's Bible on the piano stool, which she pretends is the pulpit, and, standing in front of it, she thinks she is reading out of the good book to her dollies on the sofa.

Elsie is only three years old, so she has not learned to read yet, but what she really does when she "plays preacher," is to tell her dollies all about the pretty pictures in her Bible. Her papa and mamma read the lesson stories in Dew Drops to her, so she knows a great many of the beautiful Bible stories.

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