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SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FIRST QUARTER.

LESSON 6.]

TRUE AND FALSE GIVING.

[FEB. 7.]

Acts 4. 32 to Acts 5. 11.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.—1 Sam. 16. 17.

MEMORY VERSES, 32, 33.—And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus; and great grace was upon them all.

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

LESSON STORY.

In the early Church were many poor people and some who were rich. The rich gave freely to the poor and so had all things in common. But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold some land, but being tempted of Satan brought only part of the price to give to the poor; they thus lied not to man but to God. Peter rebuked Ananias for his sin and the sinful man fell down dead. Soon after his wife came in and told the same lie, and she too fell down and died. Then great fear came upon all the Church and upon as many as heard these things. This shows what an awful thing it is to lie, most of all a lie to God. The land was their own to keep, but they sinned against God by pretending to give it all when they only gave a part.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Were there many poor people in the early Church?
Yes, many were poor and some were rich.
2. Did the rich people help the poor?
Yes, they even sold their lands and houses that the poor might not be in need.
3. Did they all do this?
No, Ananias and Sapphira his wife kept back part of the price.
4. What did Peter say?
He said, "Why has Satan filled thy heart? thou hast lied, not unto man, but unto God."

5. What happened to Ananias?

For his great sin he fell down dead through the power of God.

6. What did his wife do?

She told the same lie, and she too fell down dead.

7. What does this teach us?

That it is a great sin to lie to man and a greater sin to lie to God.

TOMMY IN THE BATH.

Wee Tommy was a merry little grig. He was as full of tricks as a kitten. When getting his morning bath he would take the sponge and splash himself all over till the drops of water showed bright as pearls upon his pretty pink skin. Some little boys don't like their morning bath, but Tommy just longed for it. It made him fresh and sweet and healthy, and a healthy body makes a happy mind.

WHICH WAS FAITHFUL?

There was a little girl whose name was Fidelia, which means faithful. In the same house was a dog named Fido. This name means faithful, too.

One day the mother of the little girl went to see a neighbour. She left the baby sleeping in a cradle, and told Fidelia to stay in the room while she was gone, and to see that he did not roll out on the floor.

When the mother came home she saw Fidelia jumping rope out in the yard; but when she went into the house she found Fido standing up with his forefeet on the cradle watching the baby.

A BAD HABIT PUT AWAY.

Bertie is a little boy who has a bad way of saying: "I don't care!" One day Aunt Nell said to him: "Bertie, will you do an errand for me?"

"O yes, ma'am!" cried he. "What is it?"

"Take your naughty 'don't care' away up in the garret, and hide it."

Bertie laughed, and then looked sober. Then he said, "I will, Aunt Nell," and away he ran. He must have hidden it very carefully, for he hasn't found it yet. Now if any more of our little ones have such naughty things, we hope that they too will hide them.



TIRED OUT.

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Tired out with her party, little Miss Muffet climbed up into a corner of the sofa and was soon fast asleep. She didn't intend to go to sleep, in fact she fought against sleep as long as she could, but the little eyes closed, the little head drooped, and before she knew it she was sound and fast asleep. She would enjoy her sleep much better if she would lie down on the nice sofa and pillows. Sleep is good for little folk and lots of it. It makes them grow faster and keeps them in good

health and good temper. They should go to bed with the birds, but not get up so soon as they do.

BOYS, BE POLITE.

Polite behaviour not only reflects credit on yourself, but on your mother. Never do anything to make her ashamed of you.

Always take off your hat when meeting or leaving a person. Never keep on your hat when in any one's house or private office.

Don't sit down at the table until the older ones are seated.

Don't make a noise when you eat.

Don't interrupt a conversation.

Don't be afraid to look people in the eyes when you speak or are spoken to. And, above all, don't save your politeness for company.