

# TEMKIT FOR CHILDREN

## TEMKIT'S MISSION:

To provide Bible based, true reading material for children and youth.

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### CREATION CORNER OBEDIENCE

In the Cumberland Mountains, near Gruetli, Tennessee, two friends and I once saw an instance of supreme obedience. A native of the woods directed us by means of blazed trees to a certain spot where we were to look ahead of us on the ground intently. At the first sign of motion we were to concentrate our gaze on the spot where the motion began. Without this pre-warning we might not have seen the sudden swift shadow that flitted off a rod under the bushes before it became vocal and visible.

A big bird-brown, gray, and white speckled like dead leaves-fell down upon the ground with broken wings, crying in great pain. We scarcely turned our heads to look at this mother whippoorwill but scanned the spot from which she started. As our eyes became accustomed to the sunshine-flecked twilight, we found her nest, just a hollow in a heap of dead leaves, and in it two baby whippoorwills, not so long as my forefinger and covered with a yellowish down hard to distinguish from the leaves among which they lay. Their large eyes were closed, and they lay as inert as lifeless things.

The mother was in terrible distress. In a circle she dragged herself along the ground, flying up a foot or two and falling back, and striving by every gesture possible to entice us to follow; but we looked

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very little at her. We watched to see how long the babies would lie motionless. In an amazing manner the mother was able to intersperse her loud and constant outcries with very soft, tender-toned chirps and short calls that were intended for the babies' reassurance.

As we did not move away from the nest, she circled clear around us, finally flying up to a tree branch not much higher than our heads about a rod beyond the nest-. There she sat facing us and the nest, continuing her piteous cries and tender baby talk. Her eyes were amazingly large and lustrous, and her feathers fluffed out softly, giving her almost a circular effect.

Meantime the babies were absolutely obedient. Seized by the impulse to touch a live wild thing, I bent down and put my finger on the head of one of the fluff-balls. It evidently could see me through its translucent eyelids or perceive me by some other acute sense; for as my hand neared it, a heavy shudder passed once over it. Then it endured my touch without moving, and the other did not move at all.

But my motion had terrified the mother into such an excess of grieving cries that we took pity on her and moved away. She continued her protests

until we were clear back on the roadway, from which we could not see her. We suppose she darted down to the nest and praised her precious ones for their perfect obedience and self-control under the attack of giants as terrifying as monsters from Mars. Mary Hunter Moore = ^..^ =

## HISTORY

### The Christian Church: part 6 Beautiful Bibles

We told you last week about how the people who believed the Bible and wouldn't follow the leaders as they brought wrong ways into the church, had to go and live far away in the mountains where not many people ever came and they could live there in peace.

There were other groups of Christians in the world who still followed the right ways. They had learned from the apostles and because they were far away from Rome it was hundreds of years before the Roman church even knew about them.

Some lived in Ireland and Britain, some in India and the East. Some lived in Ethiopia; their church had been started by that Eunuch that Philip baptized. They all kept the true seventh-day Sabbath and believed the true Bible. They didn't worship images and they didn't have any Pope, they just followed what Jesus taught them in the Bible.

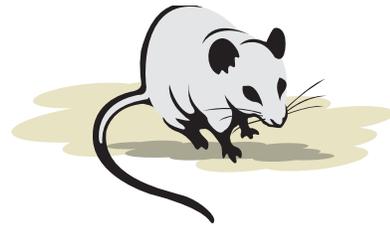
Wherever these true Christians were they were very wise and taught the people around them good and helpful things. In Ireland, it was the schools begun by St. Patrick, a Sabbath keeper, which kept knowledge alive during the terrible dark ages when the Roman church ruled in Europe. They carefully made copies of the Bible and would not allow anyone to corrupt or change the true scriptures.

The most beautiful books ever made on earth where produced by some of those early Irish scholars. There are still a few of them to be seen in the world. In the library in Trinity College in Dublin Ireland, there is one called the 'Book of Kells'. It is around fifteen hundred years old I saw it when I visited there a few years ago and I was amazed how anything so beautiful could have been made using home-made ink and goose feather pens. Truly God blessed those early Christians!

If you ever go to Dublin, be sure and see it at Trinity College. Of course you can't touch it; they keep it in a special glass case because it is so old,

but every little while they change it to another page so people can see the beauty of it.

The Roman church gets people to believe that it was the Catholic monks that made these books. This is not at all true. They were made by the true 'Church in the Wilderness,' by people who believed the Bible just like you and I do today. = ^..^ =



## TRUE-STORY-TIME

### THE CHINESE LADY AND THE RATS:

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One time, away over in China, there lived a little, old Chinese lady with a little, old Chinese man in a little, old Chinese house. Now they didn't know anything about our Jesus. They worshipped the picture of a god called Josh.

In the picture that hung on the wall, Josh looked like an old, old man, with big, long whiskers, and big long sleeves to his robe and he just sat there with his arms folded and his legs crossed and he didn't do anything. He just looked, and looked, and looked.

When they wanted to pray to Josh, they took a piece of bread and they poked five or six little sticks of incense into it. Then lighting the incense they placed the bread in front of the picture and while the smoke of the incense was going up and up and up, they would get down on their knees, ring their gongs, and pray, and pray, and pray.

But Josh couldn't see, and Josh couldn't hear and Josh couldn't do anything. He just sat there in the picture with his arms folded and his legs crossed and he just looked, and looked and looked.

One day the little, old Chinese lady was going downtown and as she hobbled along on her tiny little feet, suddenly she heard the strangest music. It was coming from a building which she was just passing. The door was open. She looked in. the room was full of people singing "Jesus loves me, this I know." She had never heard anything like it

before there was an empty seat sitting near the door so she stepped in and sat down.

Soon four or five people stood up and began to teach. Of course you've guessed what it was already but she had no idea what a Sabbath School was and she was surprised at everything she saw and heard that day. But when one of the teachers spoke kindly to her and invited her to come again; she said, "I believe I will" and she did. She came again and again and she gave her heart to Jesus. She was baptized and became a Christian.

Then she longed for her husband to become a Christian too and she tried and she tried her best to get him to come to Sabbath School with her. "Husband", she said one day, "Why don't you worship my big God? Your Josh never helps you; he never does anything for you. He can't see you, he can't hear you, he just sits there in the picture and looks and looks and looks."

"Yes I know", replied her husband angrily, "I know he can't see me, but I can see him. Now I can't even see your God. When you pray, sometimes you look up; is your God on the roof? Sometimes you look down; is your God under the house? I know my god doesn't do anything for me, but I can see him and I can't see your God."

"But Husband", said the little, old Chinese lady patiently, "You don't understand; my God lives away up in heaven beyond the sun and the moon and the stars, that's why you can't see Him. But He can see us and He can hear us and once upon a time His people were very hungry and when there was nothing to eat, they just prayed, and our Great God heard and He opened a little window in heaven and down came food for them all."

"Huh", said the little, old man, "I don't see your God opening up a little window and letting rice down for you. I have to buy all the rice that you eat."

"But Husband, listen!" said the little, old lady, "Once His people had no water to drink and they prayed to their Great God, and he just told the leader of His people to strike the rock and a spring of water came right out of that rock."

"Huh", said the little, old man, "I don't see your God giving you any water to drink. I have to carry all the water from the river for you to drink, I do."

"But Husband, listen!" the little, old lady kept on, "and once they came to a river and there was no way to get across and the people prayed to their Great God, and He told the leader to hold out his rod over the water and do you know, the waters divided and there was a roadway immediately and

they all went across."

"Huh", kept on the old man, "But I don't see your God doing anything like that for you. I have to give you money to cross the river in a ferryboat every time you want to go across the river, I do. Why don't you tell your God to do something for you that I can see? Then maybe, I'll go to worship your God with you."

"But, Husband, He is doing many things", began the little old lady, but she was interrupted by the little, old man who said with great excitement, "Say, Listen! I'll tell you what. Our house is full of rats. They eat holes in our blankets; they eat up our rice. Look; you tell your God to chase the rats out of our house and if He can do that, then, then maybe, I'll go to worship your God with you."

But the little, old Chinese lady wasn't quite sure that God could chase rats out of a house. Of course He could bring manna down out of heaven and water from the rock and raise the dead; that was easy. But RATS! RATS? She had never heard of God chasing rats out of anyone's house. So she thought and thought for three days.

Then she said to her husband, "Come here and sit down. I'm going to ask my Great God to chase the rats out of the house. You close your eyes now and keep very quiet and when I am finished, you say Amen, and we'll just see what my Great God will do for you."

Then that humble little, old Chinese lady kneeled down and prayed; "Dear Father, I think you can do it alright. It isn't nearly as hard as bringing manna down from heaven, or raising the dead. And Dear Father, Thou hast heard what my husband says. He says that if You only do something that he can see, then he might worship You too. Please, dear Father, Couldn't You just send an angel to frighten the rats. I think..."

And do you know, while that little, old Chinese lady was praying, a rat poked its nose out of the hole where the floor and the wall come together. And it went sniff, Sniff, sniff; then something seemed to frighten it and it scampered right across the floor, out of the front door, on to the street.

"Oh, thank You Lord" Said the little woman still praying, "I knew you could. Please send some more..."

And do you know, another rat poked its nose out of the hole and it went sniff, sniff, sniff, and then it scampered across the floor and out of the front door onto the street. Then another one came and it scampered across the floor, and another one,

and another one, until every rat in the house ran out onto the street. And they never came back again.

The little, old Chinese man was nearly frightened to death; he sat there wondering of the great faith his little wife had in her great big God. And when the rats began to run out of the house, his eyes bugged open; he swallowed hard; he moved his chair in terror. The little Chinese woman's big God had done something he could see. And the next time the little, old Chinese lady went to Sabbath School, the little, old Chinese man went too. = ^ .. ^ =



## ADVENT HISTORY

### **The Great Advent Movement: Part 3: THE GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT 1844**

- 1-Great Earthquake- November 1, 1755
- 2-Dark Day-19th of May, 1780
- 3-Falling Stars-13th November, 1833

God had sent these great signs on earth and in the sky to tell people that Jesus was coming. Everywhere people were saying: "What do these things mean?" Many people studied their Bibles.

All over the world different people became very interested in studying the prophecies in the book of Daniel. Many found the text in chapter 8 verse 14 that said: "Unto two thousand and three hundred days and then shall the sanctuary be cleansed."

They thought it had some special meaning and that it might tell when Jesus was going to come back and cleanse the earth by fire.

They prayed to know the meaning of these signs. God heard their prayers. In some countries He sent men with messages for the people. In some places little boys and girls preached the message. Jesus told them what to say. Many believed the message.

In USA lived a man named William Miller. He spent long hours reading his Bible. He studied each verse carefully. He found that the Bible said Jesus was coming again. He found this verse in Daniel and he figured out that it was going to happen around 1843. He knew God wanted him to tell the people. Later they found out the actual day the verse pointed to was October 22, 1844.

Other men helped William Miller tell the people about the day when they thought Jesus would come. They said: "We must tell the people to get ready quickly. We must print papers and books which tell the message."

The people who loved Jesus were glad to hear the message. They said: "We will get ready. We will give our money to help tell others." They sold their farms and gave the money. They said: "We will not need our farms. We are going home with Jesus."

One man had many potatoes on his farm. They were still in the ground. He said: "I will leave the potatoes in the ground. I will not need them. I am going home with Jesus."

The people who did not love Jesus laughed. They said: "These people are foolish." The children who loved Jesus loved their playmates, too. They told them of Jesus. They prayed for their playmates. Some of their playmates laughed. They said: "You are foolish."

Even many people in the churches did not like to hear about the soon coming of Jesus and they threw people out that talked about it. These people became known as Millerites and Adventists. This meant they looked for Jesus to come; His 'Second Advent'.

The wonderful day came! How happy the fathers and mothers were! How happy the children were! They said: "We shall soon be with Jesus. He will take us home to heaven."

They made the beds. They said: "We shall never sleep in these beds again." They swept the floors. They said: "We will not need to sweep again." Soon the work was done.

They watched the sky and waited. Dinnertime came. They did not care to eat. They said: "Soon we shall eat of the tree of life."

All afternoon they watched. The sun began to sink in the west. But Jesus had not come. How sad the fathers and mothers were who were waiting. How sad the boys and girls were! People cried they were so disappointed. Even grown ups cried.

The wicked people said: "Why did you not go to heaven?" They laughed and made fun at the Millerites.

William Miller and the other ministers were sad. They said: "We know Jesus will come. He has promised to come back. We have made a mistake in the time. We must read our Bibles and find the mistake. We must ask Jesus to help us. We must keep our hearts ready." = ^ .. ^ =



## **BUILDING FOR JESUS**

### **Magic: part 3**

There are many books and stories around these days about magic, witches, wizards and sorcerers. Most of them are make believe but they get people thinking that magic can be useful and good. They tell people that it can be used for good, to help people.

The stories may be make believe but witches and wizards are not, there are many people that are doing things like that.

Now I want to tell you again, all that kind of magic comes from Satan, and he never does anything that is good for people! Even when he seems to heal someone, it was either because he made them sick to start with, then he stops making them sick and tells them he healed them; Or he just tricks them with feelings, they think they are better and later on they find out they are really still sick.

If Satan and his nasty angels give you anything it is only to trick or trap you later. Have you ever seen pictures of witches or wizards that look very old? Well, some people think it is because they know secrets that let them live for years longer than most people. This is not true at all! If you come closer to Satan and his devils, you move away from God, and God is the source of all life. Even Satan has no life in himself. It is a fact that people who try and learn about devil magic and occult powers get old very quickly! The closer you get to Satan, the closer you are to death. Coming closer to Jesus you get healthier and happier; He is the Lifegiver!

There are another group of people who are greatly admired and who really serve Satan. They are the Rock Stars. I have a chart on my computer made a few years back that shows the average age that a rock star dies is 36. That's average; so many die younger; that's only half the average person's life.

There are many people who have been told that they have special powers in their minds; maybe they can 'see' the future, or heal people by touching them with their hands, or send messages to people with their thoughts, or find lost people. Often these people are told that they must use these 'special powers' to help others. Many times they really believe this, but it is actually a lie. The 'special power' is just one of Satan's tricks to fool them and when they use it to 'help' others they just get others caught in the trap also.

The amazing things that some people do in martial arts and yoga are also tricks of Satan. The beginners in these arts learn things that develop their bodies and may even be good at first. But Satan has his trap set and when they get into the higher up classes doing meditation and things like that, then Satan begins to take over.

Once Satan has people working for them he becomes very cruel. He forces them to obey him or he torments them. They are slaves to do whatever the evil spirits tell them and only Jesus can ever set them free.

I want to urge you dear young reader, if you have any of these kind of books or videos or anything at all about witches and wizards, even if it seems funny, get rid of it and don't read or watch that stuff or even pretend it. Remember, even if you imagine these things in your mind, Satan can start tricking you. Ask Jesus to take care of your mind every day. If you follow God and give your heart all to Jesus, you will never be sorry. But if you try and get Satan's 'powers' you will be terribly sorry some day, even if at first it seems to be good.  
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**Little drops of Water,  
Little grains of sand,  
Make the mighty ocean,  
And the pleasant land.  
Little deads of kindness  
Little words of love  
Make this earth a paradise,  
Like the Heaven above.**



**Year 1: 2nd Quarter:**  
**“MESSIAH OUR PRINCE”**  
**WEEKLY BIBLE LESSON 2:**  
**“JESUS IN THE SANCTUARY”**

For our Bible lessons we are going to use the King James Version of the Bible. Just like the boys and girls used to use to learn to read from in the pioneer days.

There will be some texts to look up for each day and you should practice your memory verse until you can say it without looking. Don't forget to learn the text too.

**MEMORY VERSE: “Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?” Psalm 77:13**

**Sunday**

**Text: Exodus 25:8 “And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.”**

We are going to look at the sanctuary and what it shows us about Jesus and what He is to us. When Adam first sinned, God told him a way to be saved would be provided, and he was to offer a lamb to show his faith in what the Lamb of God had promised to do for him.

The very first man born here on earth, had his own ideas about how to worship God, and we learned what happened in the story of Cain and Abel.

The ones who followed Cain's ways had their own kind of religion. Their offerings were a gift from them to the god or gods they worship, but the offering of a lamb by God's people was to show the Great Gift God was giving to man. It was opposite. If we give something to God, we can be proud of that. But when we know the truth, that God has to give everything to us, or we will perish, then we can't be proud any more. God wants us to be

humble, so He can change our wicked hearts and give us Jesus' good heart.

When the Israelites were slaves in Egypt they learned to think like the Egyptians, and that is why when Moses was away from the camp, even though God had just given them His law, they made an idol and had a pagan feast.

Many people died because of this wicked thing but afterwards God said to Moses; “Let them make me a sanctuary” He had a plan to try and show them more clearly what He was trying to do to save them. Every part of the sanctuary and the services tells us something about Jesus and how He saves us.

We are going to look at some of the lessons. We could study it for years and still learn new things, but we will just learn about a few this week. If you can get a picture showing where the different things were in the sanctuary it will help you. I will put one here in this lesson for you to see, if you can't find one.

**Thought** - God wants us to understand what He is doing for us, so that we will work with Him.

**Monday**

**Text: John 10:9 “I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.”**

The sanctuary was a very beautiful tent, shaped like a rectangle. It had two parts inside which were like two squares. All around this tent was a courtyard. We will look at that courtyard first.

The courtyard tells us about things that were going to happen on earth. It had only one entrance on the east side. This was so the people coming to worship would have their back to the rising sun and not think about worshipping the sun like the pagans did. The one entrance means Jesus is the only way for us to be saved. There are not lots of different ways.

The Holy Spirit works on our heart to help us to want to come to God. When we come through the only door, Jesus, we see first a pile of ashes. These are the remains of the sin offerings, and are left for a while for people to see before being carried out of the camp. This helps the Holy Spirit to show the sinner that ‘the wages of sin is death’ and unless God saves us from sin, that is what sin would do to us!

But there is hope! We see the Brass Altar of sacrifice with the slain lamb upon it; it tells us about

the only cure for sin, the blood of Jesus, the gift of God, paying the price of the broken law, for the sinner. We pray and tell God we are sorry for our sins. We have faith that Jesus died to forgive us and take away our sins. He is our Lamb that God gave to pay for your sins and mine.

Now right in front of the sanctuary tent we see a double dish of water called the Laver. It is where the priests would wash their hands and feet before they would go into the tent. It tells us about the power of Jesus to take sin out of our hearts. Jesus power can change us so we don't want to sin any more. Jesus gives us His good, kind heart in place of our selfish one. The Laver also is like baptism. It shows that we have given ourselves to Jesus.

**Thought** - When you feel you want to do something bad, pray and ask Jesus to give you His heart and drive Satan away. Jesus will help you, when you choose His way!

## Tuesday

**Text: Psalm 119:11 "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."**

Now before Jesus died, only special people called priests were allowed to go into the sanctuary tent called the Holy Place. And only the High Priest went into the second square called the Most Holy Place. He only went there once a year. The people were taught about what was in there, but never got to see it with their eyes. They saw it by faith.

Why was this? Because the tent part represented the sanctuary in heaven, where Jesus would go as our Great High Priest, after He died on the cross and went back to heaven. We learn about this sanctuary and what the things in there mean, but we can't see it for ourselves. We see it by faith.

Now we have come to God, we have told Him we are sorry for our sins and given Him our hearts to be washed clean and Jesus' heart to be given to us. By faith we go through the curtain door into the first part of the tent — the Holy Place.

Because of what happened in the courtyard, we now belong to Jesus. Everything in this Holy Place tells us what Jesus has given us and how He helps us to grow up in Him. You see when we first choose to belong all the way to Jesus, we are like a little, newborn baby. Even if we are a grownup, a new Christian is a baby Christian. He needs to be cared for and grow. Jesus takes care of us so we can grow.

What do we need to grow? We need food. In the

Holy Place we see a table with big fresh loaves of bread on it. It was called the Table of Shewbread.

It means the Word of God, the Bible, which is what the Christian must have every day or he will spiritually starve to death. The loaves were carefully placed on the table to show us that we must be careful to take time every day to read the Bible and learn from it.

The loaves had incense sprinkled on them, to show us that we must always pray before reading the Bible, for Jesus to send the Holy Spirit to help us understand right. He is our own special teacher and will help everyone who asks in the name of Jesus. Did you know that Jesus sends you a Teacher to help you understand the Bible? No matter if you are young or old, He will teach you if you ask Him.

**Thought** - Remember, books **about** the Bible do not have the **power** of the Bible or Spirit of Prophecy books! 'Eat' some every day!

## Wednesday

**Text: John 8:12 "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."**

On the other side of the Holy place across from the shewbread, was a beautiful lamp stand with seven oil lamps on it. The priests took care of it everyday, and It was always kept burning. It tells us more about Jesus promise to send the Holy Spirit to be our special teacher.

Light is used to mean Truth. Jesus promises that He will show us the truth if we ask Him, and believe His Word. Seven means complete or always; Jesus will always give light for us if we believe on Him. A child that believes and reads Jesus' Word, the Bible, will be wiser than a grownup that doesn't believe in Jesus or the Bible.

When we really want to know; God will always teach us, if we ask Him in the name of Jesus.

Now we see something else here in the Holy Place. It is right in front of the beautiful curtain that is in front of the Most Holy Place. It is a lovely golden altar. Special powder, called incense, burns there all the time and it gives a perfume that is so nice to smell. It is called the 'Altar of Incense' and it is our promise that if we pray to God in the name of Jesus, He will always hear us.

The incense going up with a sweet smell is like our prayers that Jesus presents before God for us. Just like a mother watches closely her new little

baby, just so does God listen for our every cry to Him in the name of Jesus.

**Thought** - See how the Holy Place shows us that Jesus takes good care of us?

### Thursday

**Text: Exodus 26:34** “**And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place.**” (The ‘testimony’ is the 10 commandments)

Behind a most beautiful red, blue and purple curtain, all full of golden pictures of angels, was the Most Holy Place. This place represented God’s throne room in heaven. Inside was an ark, which is a Bible word that means a box. It was a beautiful golden box. Inside were three things; the stones with the 10 Commandments on them, Aaron’s rod that budded, and a pot of Manna.

Over top of this box was a pure gold lid, called the Mercy Seat. It represented the very throne of God, and two angels made of gold, stood on each end—just like the angels that are near God’s throne in heaven. They faced each other and spread their wings over the mercy seat. They looked towards God’s Law in the ark.

In the sanctuary on earth there was a bright, beautiful light, called the Shekinah Glory, that was there above the Mercy Seat. Do you know what that light really was? It is such a wonderful thing! It was the very presence of Jesus!

**Thought** - It is so wonderful that God put a mercy seat over the box with His law in it. That meant that there was a way sinners, who had broken the law could be saved. That way was through Jesus.

### Friday

**Text: Matthew 27:51** “**And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent.**”

When Christ died, that heavy curtain was ripped in two from top to bottom; this showed that the way to the Most Holy Place was now open. No human priest is now needed. Jesus is our High Priest; and He stands for us before His Father. He presents our prayers to His Father, and the Father gives Him blessings and help for us.

In the earthly service, only one day a year the High Priest would enter the Most Holy Place on the

Day of Atonement. That day was on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. Next week we’ll learn more about that special day.

Now we come by faith in Jesus, who stands before the Mercy Seat and pray to God the Father. We can do this because Jesus paid for our sins with His blood. He is the Lamb that God provided. When we pray, for whatever we need and for power to become like Jesus, He asks the Father, and the Father gives it to Jesus, who gives it to us. That’s what it means to pray in the Name of Jesus.

Because of Jesus sacrifice for us we can ask for whatever we need and know that if we really need it, we will have it. Sometimes we ask for things God knows are not good for us. What does He do then? He gives us what is good for us instead. We never need to be afraid to pray to our Heavenly Father in the Name of Jesus. He will always hear us and help us in just the right way!

The sanctuary shows how God saves us and changes us, so one day we will be free from sin inside and be able to go to heaven and see our Lord face to face.

**Thought** - Let us work with Him by praying and reading our Bible to learn more about Jesus every day! = ^ .. ^ =

