

felt my sins as heavy as poor Nidhi did his? If you have not, remember it is not because you are more holy than he,—you have sinned as much, perhaps more than he, and the reason why you do not feel it is, that you are careless about the interests of your precious soul. Dear reader, faithfulness bids us tell you, if this is your state, that you are in danger, great danger; for you are not only strangers but enemies to God, and if you die in your present character, must be for ever banished from the joys of heaven—the presence of God and His holy angels. Be instructed by this Assamese boy. Your concern should be no less than his: turn to his prayer, and see if it would not be as suitable for you.

From the journal of the missionary we find that a few days after the above conversation, Nidhi still devoted himself to reading his Bible and prayer. “To-day,” the Missionary says, “while Nidhi was returning after conversation with another of the Missionaries, light suddenly broke in upon his mind, and with joy beaming on his countenance, he told me that he felt his burden removed! Oh what cause for devout gratitude and praise! He really seems an altered child. This evening he appeared calm and happy, and delighted to speak of the love of his Saviour. I asked him how he felt towards his young companions? He replied, that he loved and pitied them, and wished to talk to them very much, and tell them of the Saviour he had found. I told him his friends and associates might laugh at him and ridicule him. He replied, that he would not feel angry, but truly sorry for them, because they knew no better.”

Such is one instance of what the Gospel of Christ—the good news of His salvation, is effecting in heathen lands. Nidhi is now a professing Christian, in that far distant land. True there are not very many more in Assam, but when God’s people here and elsewhere, in what is called the Christian world, pray more earnestly for God’s Spirit, He will come, “and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose,” and dark Assam will