



### ➤ *A Chinese Hero* ◀



little Chinese boy only ten years of age went to the Bishop and begged for Confirmation for which he had been considered too young. The Bishop hesitated. The eagerness of the child touched him, but he was so young! The boy continued to supplicate for the sacrament.

"But after you are confirmed, if the Mandarin puts you in prison and questions you about your faith," said the prelate, "what will you answer him?"

"Monsignor, I will tell him that I am a Christian by the grace of God."

"And if he commands you to deny your faith, what will you do?"

"I shall answer, Never!"

"And if he should say that you must not go to church or keep holy the Sunday and festivals of obligation?"

"I shall tell him I must first of all obey the Commandments."

"And suppose that in the end he will call the executioner and will say to you: Unless you apostatize these men shall cut your heart off. What will you say then?"

"I will say, cut it off!"

The little hero was confirmed.