

gates of the paradise of God to the saved soul.

The salvation then is *adequate*—is co-extensive with the disease—is PERFECT.

All the attributes of God unite in a supreme argument for full, free, and final salvation. This will appear when we remember that God commands all men, "be ye holy," and in so commanding He assumes the obligation and responsibility of rendering it *practicable* for all men to "be holy."

And now, when it is announced, "thou shalt call his name JESUS; for He shall save His people from their sins," who will dare mar the music of this Divine Name, and say, "He shall save His people partially or imperfectly from their sins?"

No, we will not impeach the great Redeemer and declare Him incompetent for His self-assumed office. We *dare not* in secret prayer at the solemn mercy-seat whisper, "Save me, Lord, *partly* from my sins." The holiness and omnipotence of the enthroned Mediator would rebuke our profane prayer. Nor can any soul, however wildly it may reason or rebel, tell the exalted Saviour to His face that he cannot fulfil His promise and pledge to "*save His people from their sins.*"

Do objections, difficulties, and doubts still seem to hedge up the way? Then remember hopefully, joyfully remember that "My God shall supply ALL YOUR NEED according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

"Now unto God and our Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen!"—*Guide.*

THE LITTLE GIRL WHO TOOK OUT THE "IF."

A LITTLE girl was awakened to anxiety about her soul at a meeting where the story of the leper was told.

Leprosy is a dreadful disease which soon covers the whole body. When any one became leprous in Israel, they were obliged to go outside the camp, and when any one came near them, to cry "Unclean! unclean!"

Leprosy is a marked emblem of sin. "The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint; from the crown of the head to the sole of the foot, there is no soundness in it, but wounds, and bruises, and

putrefying sores; they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment.

One day a poor leper came to Jesus and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, *if* Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand and touched Him, saying, *I will*; be thou clean, and immediately his leprosy was cleansed."

Well, this dear little girl, who was anxious, said, "I noticed that there was an '*if*' in what the man said, but there was no '*if*' in what Jesus said; so I went home and took out the '*if*' by my granny's fireside, and I knelt down and I said 'Lord Jesus, Thou canst, Thou wilt make me clean; I give myself to Thee.'

My beloved little reader, have you come to Jesus? And if not yet, will you come now? Oh, do come to Him! He can, He will make you clean—yes, whiter than snow. You are a sinner, and sin is a far worse disease than leprosy. Nothing can take it away but the blood of Jesus. Come to Him this very minute. For "behold now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."—*Seeds of Truth.*

EFFECT OF LITTLE SINS.

A COMPANY was walking in Ludbrook Park, when Dr. Ellis drew attention to a large sycamore tree decayed to the core. "That fine tree," said he, "was killed by a single worm." Two years previously, the tree was as healthy as any in the park, when a woodworm, about three inches long, was observed to be forcing its way under the bark of the trunk. It then caught the eye of a naturalist who was staying there; and he remarked, "Let that worm alone and he will kill the tree." This seemed very improbable; but it was agreed that the black-headed worm should not be disturbed. After a time it was discovered that the worm had tunnelled its way a considerable distance under the bark. The next summer the leaves of the tree dropped off very early; and in the succeeding year it was a dead, rotten thing, and the hole made by the worm might be seen in the very heart of the once noble trunk. "Ah!" said one who was present, "let us learn a lesson from that single tree. How many who once promised fair for usefulness in the world and the church has been ruined *by a single sin!*"