

I don't see why men are not good,  
 God want, them to be so,  
 I think it strange they do not try  
 To make it heaven below.

### NATIVE CHILDREN OF INDIA.

THERE are three classes of children in India, about whom I wish to give you information. I will first tell you about the Hindoo child. Some things you already know about him. For instance, you know that he is ignorant of the true God; that he does not know that Jesus is his Saviour; that he is an idolator; that he worships the sun, moon, and stars, and trees, rocks, mountains, and rivers, the birds of the air, beasts of the field, and all sorts of hideous reptiles. But you may like to know more about the belief and worship of this unfortunate child. He is taught to believe in a supreme being in rank and glory and power very much like the true God. But he is taught that that being is entirely apart from all other beings, has nothing to do with them, that he cares not for, nor watches over, man, or anything in the world. How differently the Bible teaches us! Jesus, our loving Saviour, says: "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing?"—a very small sum of money—"and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father." He also tells us that even the hairs of our head are numbered by God. How minute, then, is His care over us and all His creatures! As the greatest god of the Hindoo child is entirely separate from him, he is not taught to worship or bow down to him, nor ever utter his name in prayer. In all India we know of no Hindoo temple nor altar to this God, nor is his name ever uttered in prayer. The Hindoo child is taught that under this highest god there are three great ones, whom they call the Creator, the Preserver, and the Destroyer. He is taught to worship the last, and make many offerings to him to appease his wrath. He worships him only because he *fears* him. Under these three there are many, very many gods and demi-gods, whom he must worship. Their number can scarcely be counted. Let me see if you can tell me how many—33 mil-

lions—gods he must worship! Among them one of the most popular is Ram, who was none other than a great and famous king in India a few ages ago. He is taught to use this wonderful name, saying, "Ram, Ram," when he begins a work and when he ends it, and to use the same name as the best way of saluting his playmate. But I will tell you more about the worship of this child at another time.—*Rev. F. A. Spencer.*

### LESSON NOTES.

A. D. 59.] **LESSON III.** [July 20.

CHRISTIAN LOVE; OR, A FULL SALVATION.

1 Cor. 13. 1-13. **Commit to memory verses 4-8.**

#### OUTLINE

1. The need of charity. v. 1-3.
2. The work of charity. v. 4-7.
3. The worth of charity. v. 8-13.

#### GOLDEN TEXT.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. 1 Cor. 13. 13.

1. Try to be patient.
2. Try to think no evil of others.
3. Try to have true charity toward all.

Find in the Acts about "speaking with tongues"  
 ...Find in Luke's Gospel account of a centurion's faith  
 ....Find in John's Gospel an instance of a woman's love to Christ.

A. D. 59.] **LESSON IV** [July 27.

VICTORY OVER DEATH; OR, A FINAL SALVATION.

1 Cor. 15. 50-58. **Commit to memory verses 51-57.**

#### OUTLINE.

1. The change. v. 50-53
2. The conquest. v. 54-57.
3. The command. v. 58.

#### GOLDEN TEXT.

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. John 11. 25.

1. Do not be afraid to die.
2. Live in view of eternity.
3. Look for a glorious resurrection.

Find the account of the death of Jacob.....Of Moses.....Of Stephen.....Find the account of two persons who went to heaven without dying