

"One night, while at Folkstone, I felt so greatly burdened for him, I slept very little. O how I prayed that God would save him! Next morning, at family prayers, just he and I, we read our chapter over, and I preached a little sermon to Bob. I read and explained and illustrated by things he knew in Africa. I took my time to explain so he could give it back to me in correct answers to my questions.

"Now, Bob," I said to him, "you know that I have always told you that if you ask Jesus to do anything for you, you must believe He will do it."

"Yes," he said.

"You know, I never told you a lie, did I?"

"No."

"When I told you I was going to do something I always did it, didn't I?"

"Yes."

"Well, just so you must believe Jesus. When you ask Him to make your heart good, believe that He will do it, because He loves you and wants you to be good. So, now, He can give you a new heart this morning if you just tell Him what you want, and just believe Him and trust Him. Now, we will kneel down and you pray for yourself. Tell Jesus just what you want, and tell Him in your own way, the best you know how."

"So we knelt down. Dear little Bob! He waited for a few moments, thoughtfully and sincerely, and then began to pray. He said: 'O God, I come to you; I beg you to make my heart good. Take all the bad out of my heart, so I won't lie, so I won't steal. O God, put your good Spirit in my heart, so I can always obey my ma, so I can be good. I beg you, Jesus. I will believe you. Help me. For Jesus' sake. Amen.'

"I felt sure God heard that little prayer, for my heart went with it; and when he stopped praying I took hold of God. O how I prayed and how I believed! And I claimed Bob's conversion with him, that God had done what we asked Him. I felt peace in my heart, and assurance, and I rose up, and we sang, 'Praise God!'

"In the afternoon I had a service at Mr. Toke's church. On the way home we met a crowd of little boys, and they began to call out to Bob, 'O, there goes a little black boy!'

"I began to pity Bob. I knew he was sensitive, and hated to be looked at and hear such remarks made. When in London, if he would be looking out of the window, and boys would come by and make remarks, he would go down on his knees to hide from them. I felt very sorry for him, and I said: 'Boys, boys, that little boy's name is Bob.'

"O Bob, hello!" they said. "Hello, Bob, how do you do?"

"Just then little Bob came running up to me, and said to me:

"O ma, the boys like to look at me, don't they?"

"Yes; they are not accustomed to seeing little black boys in this country."

"Well, I don't mind if they do look at me now, since I told Jesus this morning, and He made my heart good—I don't care if they do look at me."

"His face was beaming with delight, and I said, 'I know Bob is changed. The old things have passed away, and the things he hated he has begun to love.'

"And the word from him in England now is, that he is a good boy, and is trying to be a Christian."

Mrs. Smith had the opportunity to put Bob in Miss Hobbs' school for boys, at Southport, England, where he has the best of Christian training and care. This was so good a place that, though having little means, she was trying hard to keep him there, when, after about six months, she received word that she need not send any more money; that Bob had been well provided for.

Dear Robins, let us pray to Jesus to bless Bob, and make him a good and useful man.

[The autobiography of Mrs. Amanda Smith, the colored evangelist.]

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