

OUR STORY THIS WEEK.

WHEN Queen Victoria was but seven or eight years of age, her heart was set on a lovely doll which she had seen in a shop window. She had to wait, however, until she could save the price, six shillings, out of her pocket money. At last the day came and the coveted doll was paid for and received. The story proceeds as follows:

And now with the precious treasure upon her arm, the little lady bade the shop-keeper good afternoon, and was about to step from the door, when a poor miserable looking object of a man met her eye. He was standing but a couple of feet away, and seemed as though he were going to speak to her. But though his lips moved, no sound came from them.

He stood aside to let her pass; a mute, agonized appeal in his sunken cheeks and quivering chin.

"Did you wish to speak to me," asked the little lady. Encouraged by her winning voice, the poor tramp said in trembling accents, "I am very hungry. I would not ask for help if I were not ready to sink with hunger."

"I am so sorry I have no money or else....."

His lips trembled forth a humble "thank you, lady," then he shuffled on his way.

"Stay," murmured the owner of the new doll. There was a quiver in her childish voice and a moisture in her eyes as she spoke, "wait a minute, please."

She stepped back into the shop, approached the lady behind the counter, and said: "Oh, please, do you mind taking the doll back and keeping it for me for a few days longer?" "Certainly I will," replied the shop-keeper, "and you wish me to return you the money?" "Yes, if you please." This was done, and the little lady hurrying out of the shop, placed the whole of the money in the hands of the starving man.

The old man murmured in a low tone, though loud enough to reach her ear: "If the Almighty made you Queen, it would not be more than your goodness deserves." She sacrificed a little for the poor man. Jesus gave Himself for us.



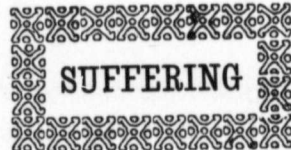
OUR QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Who were with Jesus when He foretold His sufferings?
2. Name them.
3. Where was Jesus to suffer? How?
4. Why was Jesus to suffer? (See Golden Text.)



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OUR PRAYER THIS WEEK.

Oh, Lord! help me to bear my cross every day this week.