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Children's Department

DOING GOD'S ERRANDS.

Helen stood on the doorstep with a very tiny basket in her hand, when her father drove up to her and said: "I am glad you are all ready to go out, dear. I came to take you to Mrs. Lee's park to see the new deer."

"Oh, thank you, papa; but I can't go just this time! the deer will keep, and we will go to-morrow. I have a very particular errand to do now," said the little girl.

"What is it, dear?" asked the father.

"Oh, it is to carry this somewhere!" and she held up the small basket.

Her father smiled and asked: "Whom is this errand for, dear?"

"For my own self, papa, but—oh, no, I guess not—it's a little errand for God, papa!"

"Well, I will not hinder you, my little dear," said the good father, tenderly. "Can I help you any?"

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"No, sir; I was going to carry my orange, that I saved from my dessert, to old Peter."

"Is old Peter sick?"

"No, I hope not, but he never has anything nice, and he's good and thankful. Big folks give him only cold meat and broken bread, and I thought an orange would look so beautiful and make him so happy! Don't you think that poor well folks ought to be comforted sometimes as well as poor sick folks, papa?"

"Yes; and I think we too often forget them until sickness or starvation comes. You are right; this is a little errand for God. Get into this buggy and I will drive you to Peter's and will wait till you have done the errand, and then show you the deer. Have you a pin, Helen?"

"Yes, papa, here is one."

"Well, here is a five-dollar bill for you to pin on the skin of the orange. This will pay old Peter's rent for four weeks and perhaps this will be a little errand for God, too," said the gentleman.

Little Helen, who had taught a wise man a lesson looked very pleased as her fingers pinned the bill on the orange.

EASTER LESSONS.

The Easter lessons are lessons of life, hope and joy. If Christ had never risen it would not have been worth while for any of us to live, for, struggle as we might, we never could have overcome the darkness nor have broken the bonds of sin and death. Life would have been utterly hopeless. But Christ arose from the dead, and now there are no conditions in life in which one need despair. Victory is always possible. He who overcame for Himself will help us also to overcome if we turn to Him for help. That is what salvation means—not merely that all our sins are forgiven through Christ's atonement, but that through Christ we may overcome in every discouragement, every temptation, every sorrow, every trial.

So the Easter lesson is one of encouragement and hope. No matter how things have gone with us, we should never give up. Despair is disloyalty to Christ and to our own calling as Christians. We never should even admit discouragement is unbelievable. Out of all earthly misfortune, trouble, loss, grief, or disappointment, we should ever rise strong, undismayed and cheerful.

We have an example in the old Prussian general, who had but one word of advice in all the councils of war. When repulse came, and the question was, "What next?" he always replied, "Forward!" When victory was gained, and the question arose, "What shall we do with it?" the same one word came, quick and imperative, "Forward!" Thus should it be in life; and thus it may be with the Easter lesson in our heart.

We should always live victoriously. We should never allow ourselves to be defeated or overcome. **Whatever the sorrow, or the failure, or the sin, we should ever rise again victorious.**

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