

[For OUR MISSION.]

Truth in a Nut Shell.

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5.—HOW YOU ARE SAVED.

DO you ask the all-important question, "What must I do to be saved"? (Acts 16: 30.) Are you willing to come and be saved in God's way? His "ways are not as men's ways" (Isaiah 55: 8). Listen to God answer your questions.

"As many as *received Him*, (Christ) to them gave He power to become sons of God, even to them that believe on His name" (John 1: 12.)

Notice, you are to *receive* Christ as *your* Saviour.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that *whosoever believeth on Him* should not perish, but *have* everlasting life" (John 3: 16.)

"Verily, verily I say unto you, He that *heareth my words and believeth on Him* that sent me *hath everlasting life*" (John 5: 24.)

"To Him (Jesus) give all the prophets witness, that *through His name whosoever believeth in Him* shall receive remission of sins" (Acts 13: 39.)

"And by Him (Jesus) all that *believe* are justified (acquitted) from all things" (Acts 13: 39.)

These verses tell us that we are made "*God's children*," that we "*shall not perish*," that we "*shall receive remission of sins*" and be acquitted (treated as if we *had not sinned*) simply by faith in Jesus Christ.

This *faith* is something more than an *intellectual* faith; it is a heart *faith* that appropriates.

"With the *heart* man *believeth* unto righteousness" (Rom. 10: 10.)

Faith is the simplest thing in the world, and should be, if salvation is to be brought within the reach of all. It is taking God at His word and asking no questions.

To be strong in faith two things are needed, viz: a low esteem of self, and a high esteem of Christ. A man in business *trusts* another for a bill of goods because he believes he will pay him—so we *trust* God because we *believe* He will do as He says.

You may think you *have not the right kind of faith*. Faith in man, and faith in God are the same exercise in mind; the difference is not in the faith, but in the *person* on whom the faith rests. If you are thinking to be saved in some other way I would say, "neither is there salvation in any other" (Acts 4: 12.)

ABSALOM, who was a fool, wished himself a judge; Solomon, who was a wise man trembled at the undertaking, and suspects his own fitness for it. The more knowing and considerate men are, the better they are acquainted with their own weakness, and the more jealous of themselves.—*Henry*.

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Little Things.

ONLY a little word spoken in love,
Only a weary soul pointed above,
Only a kindly act—a tender smile,
Only a burdened heart cheered for awhile.
Only an angry word kept back by prayer—
Only a loving thought cherished with care;
Only a tiny coin cheerfully given,
Only a grateful heart lifted to Heaven.
Only a battle fought—a victory won,
Only sin vanquished, and the right done.
Only the little things make up the great,
Only work earnestly—time will not wait,
And at the close of life Jesus will say—
Faithful in little things—now crowned for aye

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Personal.

YOU are a sinner.
You may be saved.
You are an object of God's love.
You are the person for whom Jesus died.
You are now offered salvation
You may be put it off until too late.
You will find no way of escape then

Rom. 3: 23; 1 Tim. 2: 4; John 3: 16; 1 Tim. 1: 15;
Isa. 1: 18; Job 36: 18; Heb. 2: 3.

Practical.

A WRITER on the International lessons, says:—"Another interesting thing about the proclamation of Cyrus is that, with all financial suggestions, he does not suggest that they borrow money of the royal bank, or of any capitalists or speculators, to finish the building, if they found it hard to raise money enough by free gifts. It did not occur to him that the house should be finished with a mortgage. The tabernacle of Moses had no mortgage on it, nor Solomon's temple, nor Zerubbabel's, nor Herod's; and we never hear of a debt on a synagogue. Indeed, church debts seem to be purely Christian institutions, and bad ones, too.

THERE are twenty-one Chinese Sunday-schools in New York and Brooklyn. Philadelphia and Boston have each several. The number of Chinese schools reported in the United States is more than forty, with an attendance of nine hundred. Complete statistics would doubtless considerably enlarge these figures.

[The only Chinese school in Canada, is that carried on in Toronto, by Mr. W. M. Morse and his efficient staff of workers. The school is an independant organization, meeting in the Free Reading Room of the Y. M. C. A.—Ed.]