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Martin Luther.

EVERY one has heard of Martin Luther, the great Reformer. Born in the year 1483, in a little village in Germany, he lived for many years in great poverty, often singing carols in the street for a morsel of bread. Afterwards, when he determined to become a monk, and was living at Erfurt monastery, he came across a Latin Bible, and was so deeply interested in it, that he spent all the time he could in studying it, till he learned God's blessed truth, and the only way of salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Then he longed that others should know the same precious truth too.

He left the monastery, and though much persecuted by the Pope of Rome and his priests, he found many friends, among whom was the Elector of Germany, who took him to his own castle of Wart-

burg, where he carried out his great work, the translation of the Bible into the German tongue. Luther knew well that if the people had God's own word in their hands, in a language they could understand, they would soon find out the real truth, and would know that the church of Rome is a false church, and that Jesus Christ is the only Saviour.

Martin Luther was a very kind man. He loved children wherever he met them, and always had a kind word for them. Some of his happiest letters are to his own children, when he earnestly sought to train them for God.

After a very eventful life, he passed away (between two and three o'clock on the morning

of 18th February, 1546), to be with Christ, which is far better. He was buried in the church of All Saints, at Wittenberg; and at his funeral, Dukes and nobles were present. More than three hundred years

