

the Lord most marked. Her husband was a very wicked man, and though he persecuted her most vigorously, her testimony for the Lord was so firm and unyielding that he soon turned to the Lord, and was enabled to openly confess Him before men; so that they walked happily together in the fear of the Lord, and the comfort of the Holy Ghost. How true it is that, "being justified by faith, we *have peace with God* through our Lord Jesus Christ." Surely this is the only cure for the wretchedness of a sin convicted soul, whose heart's utterance is, "Why am I so sad?"

The well-known Martin Boos also passed through much misery. He thus relates his conversion to God from Roman Catholicism: "I lay for years together upon the cold ground, though my bed stood near me. I scourged myself till the blood came, and clothed my body with a hair shirt; I hungered, and gave my bread to the poor; I spent my every leisure moment in the precincts of the church; I confessed and communicated every week." He "gave himself an immense deal of trouble to lead a holy life;" and was unanimously elected a saint; but the saint was miserable, and cried out, "*Oh wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me?*" Going to see a pious old woman on her death-bed, he said wistfully. "Ah! you may well die in peace!" "Why?" "You have lived such a godly life." "What a miserable comforter!" she said, and smiled; "If Christ had not died for me, I would have perished for ever, with all my good works and piety. Trusting in Him,