

kua rite te utu, ka riro noa mai te taonga ki ahau."

Ka ki atu ahu ki a ia. "Ina, pera hoki te murunga hara. Na Ihu te Ariki i whakarite te utu nui. nana te aures, te ngururu, te roamate, te riri, te mamea. Aera nga mea katoa hoi utu tika mo te he. Kua pa ana mea katoa ki a ia. Nana i whakarite te utu nui mo te katoa, nana i hoko te murunga hara i tona toto utu nui. A inaianei ka homai noa mai e ia te murunga hara ki te katoa e kawe ana o ratou he ki a ia.

Katahi ka tangi te koroua ka karanga atu hoki ki ahau, "Katahi ahau ka kite, koia koia, he murunga hara utu kore! E! he murunga hara utu kore. Na te Karaiti i hoko, nana i homai ki ahau."

TE WHAKAMATAU ANA KI TE WHAKAPONO.

Te kore rawa atu e tau ana to ngakau i nga ra katoa e tiro ana koe ki a koe ano; ki o whakuaro pai, o mahi tiki, o aba o aha. Hui ano te huarahi ki te rangimarie, koia ra, to mahi i otitou i a te Karaiti. Kauaka e whakamatau ana ki te whakapono. Pera ka ki atu koe ki to hoa, e whakamatau ana ahau ki te whakaa to korero: tera pea ka riri atu ia ki a koe. Kia tau to ngakau ki te aroha o te Atua, ki te mahi i oti aia te Karaiti, ki te whakaaturanga hoki o te Wairua Tapu ki roto i te karaipeture. Katahi ka whakamoemiti koe, ka waiata, ka whakawhetai hoki koe ki a ia. Ma te Atua e whakarero ai nga mea katoa e whakaporearea ana i a koe, a kia homai hoki ki a koe, ara to wairua, nga mea tino pai rawa atu o Tona orangatonutanga.

(Mo nga Tamariki.)

ME PEHEA KA KORE E WHAKAPONA INAIANEI?

Ke tetahi rangi i mahue atu nei ka haere ahau ki te huarahi o tetahi kainga. He kete kei ahau, he taonga ki roto. Ko tetahi o nga mea o roto he pihikete reka. I ahau e haere ana ka makere taua paehe pihikete ki te huarahi. Kahore ahau i kite noa te makeretanga. Mea ke ka kite ahau

Jesus and His finished work. Do not be "trying" to believe. If you were to say to a friend "I am trying to believe what you say," he would consider it a very poor compliment. Let your heart *muse* on the love of God, on the finished work of Christ, and on the testimony of the Holy Ghost in Scripture; and as you muse, the fire of devotion will kindle, and you will be able to sing and give thanks. May God chase away the clouds and mists, and pour in upon your precious soul the bright and blessed beams of His salvation!

C. H. M.

(TO THE CHILDREN.)

WHY NOT BELIEVE NOW?

THE other day I was walking in one of the streets of L., carrying a jacket over my arm. Before I left home I had put a small package of sweet biscuits in one of the pockets, and as I was going along this package slipped out and fell by the side of the pavement. I did not find this out till I had walked on several steps. When I turned round and saw the biscuits, I did not wish to go back; so I looked at two boys who were standing in the road, and beckoned them to me.

"If you run back a little way," I said, "you will find a package of biscuits by the side of the pavement. Be quick or it will be too late; if you find them you may have them."

They both looked surprised for a minute, and then one of them ran off as hard as he could go. The other shouted out after him, "Don't be so stupid, Bill; she is only deceiving us."

Still Bill kept on, and at last caught sight of the prize, and in another minute snatched up the biscuits and ran off. As soon as the other boy saw there really was something to get, he ran too, but it was too late. I watched the boys a few minutes, for the one who did not believe my word was trying to get the biscuits from the other, but he was not strong enough.

This shows how important it is to believe the word of a person who is to be trusted.