

whakaaro e whakarere, ka para koe me te kaupuke ra, *ka paremo*. Ki hea? Aue! ki te poka torere, a na wai te he?

Tena ra whakarere tou whakaaro ki te kaupuke tawhito. Whakaeti mai he tangata haka koe; he hipi ngaro. Whaka-ponohia te aroha-noa o te Atua, i tono mai i a te Karaiti—te poti whakaora—whaka-whirinaki atu ki a ia; whakaeti ia ki ou ngutu i nga wa katoa. E kore a taen e koe nga mea e rua. Ki te noho tonu koe kite kaupuke tawhito, ka totohu haere koe. Kei whakahihiki koe, kei ki ka ora koe i tena kaupuke. Tena ki te mea kei roto koe i a te Karaiti, ara, i te poti whakaoranga, ka pono rawa tou oranga. Kahore ano i ngaro i a ia tetahi.—*Translated by J. G. B.*

KI NGA TAMARIKI.

KA HUNA KA RAPU.

(Te Hunahuna.)

KO wai te tamaiti e kore e kitea i taua tu takaro, te hunahuna nei. Tera pea he maha nga tamariki i kite noa te pai o taua tu takaro.

Ahako he koroheke ahau kahore e ngaro taku pai ki taua takaro. Tena ka kite ahau nga tamariki e takaro ana katahi ka ngaro toku koroheketanga ka puta tuku hiahia ki te uru ki roto i te hunga takaro. Kahore pea he tikanga mo taku korero atu i runga i taku pai ki taua takaro i taku tamariki-tanga, heoi ano te ki nei i takaro ahau ki taua takaro ki te ngaherehere, ki te koroha, ki te kari, ki te pamu, ki te whare, ki uta ki te akau hoki, i nga takiwa katoa i whai tamariki ka wehea nga tamariki ki nga taha tika katahi ka tu taua takaro.

Engari e marama ranei koutou ki tetahi hunahuna kua korerotia ki roto i te Paipera Tapu? Otira ehara tera i te hunahuna takaro, kahore he hunahuna ke tera, ara, he hunahuna maro.

Kei a Kenchi taua korero, e kore e roa te kimibanga.

Kei te upoko tuatoru o Kenchi a kite koutou te korero mo te hunahuna tuatahi (Te huna te rapu) he huna i te Atua: ka huna te taugata ka rapua e te Atua. E

Adam and Eve had sinned—sinned against their Maker. He had provided everything for man that was good and pleasant, but had reserved one tree, forbidding Adam to eat of it. Of this one tree Eve had taken and eaten, and then given to her husband, and he had eaten too. Thus they both had sinned; and when they heard the voice of the Lord God they fled, and hid themselves among the trees of the garden.

Have you ever sought to hide from God? Have you ever gone into a dark cellar, or cupboard, and thought, God cannot see me here? Perhaps you have crept beneath the clothes upon your bed, and imagined that no eye could behold you there. Why was it you did these things? I think I know. It was because you too had sinned, and thus you, like Adam and Eve, sought to escape from the sight of the One who made you. Is it not sad that any of God's creatures should wish to be beyond His view? Of course, no one can get out of His gaze, for He knows our down-sitting and uprising, and is acquainted with all our paths. Darkness and light are both alike to Him.

God did not allow Adam and Eve to remain hidden. He sought them, and called them out into His presence; and though they were driven from Paradise for their sin, yet He Himself provided coats of skin, and clothed them, and spoke at the same time of a Deliverer. God was the seeker then, and He found the trembling sinners, and covered them.

The coats of skins were a little picture of the righteousness of God, which now covers every believer on the Lord Jesus. He it is who delivers all who trust Him "from the wrath to come."

Have you ever noticed what a secure hiding place David found? See Psa xxxii 7. Satan and his sins might seek to find him, but they never would be able to. Of all hiding-places this is the best. Have you ever hidden there?

It is such a blessed moment when a poor guilty sinner comes to the Saviour-God, confessing his sins, and believing on the Lord Jesus; for just as the prodigal of Luke xv. found a welcome awaiting him, so every repentant soul finds God ready to pardon, and